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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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In re:	:	Chapter 11
Troika Media Group, Inc., et al., 1	:	Case No. 23-11969 (DSJ)
Debtors.	:	(Jointly Administered)
	v	

NOTICE OF FILING OF PROPOSED ORDER (I) APPROVING STALKING HORSE APA AND AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF CERTAIN ASSETS OF THE DEBTORS OUTSIDE THE ORDINARY COURSE OF BUSINESS, (II) AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF ASSETS FREE AND CLEAR OF ALL LIENS, CLAIMS, INTERESTS AND ENCUMBRANCES, (III) AUTHORIZING THE ASSUMPTION AND ASSIGNMENT OF CERTAIN EXECUTORY CONTRACTS AND UNEXPIRED LEASES IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, AND (IV) GRANTING RELATED RELIEF

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that, on December 7, 2023, the debtors and debtors-in-possession in the above-captioned cases (collectively, the "<u>Debtors</u>") filed the *Motion of the Debtors for Entry of Orders (I)(A) Approving Bidding Procedures for the Sale of Substantially All of the Debtors' Assets, (B) Authorizing the Debtors to Enter into the Stalking Horse APA and to Provide the Stalking Horse Bid Protections Thereunder, (C) Scheduling an Auction and Approving the Form and Manner of Notice Thereof, (D) Approving Assumption and Assignment Procedures, (E) Scheduling a Sale Hearing and Approving the Form and Manner of Notice*

The Debtors in these chapter 11 cases and the last four digits of each Debtor's federal taxpayer identification number are as follows: Troika Media Group, Inc. (1552), Troika IO, Inc. (4013), Troika Mission Worldwide, Inc. (3406), Troika Design Group, Inc. (4560), Troika Production Group, LLC (3392), Troika Services, Inc. (6042), Troika-Mission Holdings, Inc. (8417), MissionCulture LLC (1903), Mission Media USA, Inc. (1312), CD Acquisition Corp. (5486), Converge Direct, LLC (0788), Converge Direct Interactive, LLC (8110), and Lacuna Ventures, LLC (2168). The Debtors' corporate headquarters are located at 25 West 39th Street, 6th Floor, New York, NY 10018.

- Thereof and (F) Granting Related Relief; and (II)(A) Approving the Sale of the Debtors' Assets Free and Clear of Liens, Claims, Interests, and Encumbrances, (B) Approving the Assumption and Assignment of Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases and (C) Granting Related Relief [Docket No. 14] (the "Motion").
- **PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that, on December 7, 2023, the Debtors filed the *Declaration* of G. Grant Lyon in Support of First Day Pleadings [Docket No. 11].
- PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that, on January 2, 2023, the Debtors filed Notice of Filing of Revised Proposed Order (I) Approving Bidding Procedures for the Sale of Substantially All of the Debtors' Assets, (II) Authorizing the Debtors to Enter into the Stalking Horse APA and to Provide the Stalking Horse Bid Protections Thereunder, (III) Scheduling an Auction and Approving the Form and Manner of Notice Thereof, (IV) Approving Assumption and Assignment Procedures, (V) Scheduling a Sale Hearing and Approving the Form and Manner of Notice Thereof and (VI) Granting Related Relief [Docket No. 73].
- PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that, on January 3, 2023, the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York (the "Court") entered the Order (I) Approving Bidding Procedures for the Sale of Substantially All of the Debtors' Assets, (II) Authorizing the Debtors to Enter into the Stalking Horse APA and to Provide the Stalking Horse Bid Protections Thereunder, (III) Scheduling an Auction and Approving the Form and Manner of Notice Thereof, (IV) Approving Assumption and Assignment Procedures, (V) Scheduling a Sale Hearing and Approving the Form and Manner of Notice Thereof and (VI) Granting Related Relief [Docket No. 77] (the "Bidding Procedures Order").
- **PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that, on January 4, 2024, the Debtors filed the *Notice of Sale by Auction and Sale Hearing* [Docket No. 90].
- PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that, on January 4, 2024, the Debtors filed the Notice of Cure Costs and Potential Assumption and Assignment of Executory Contracts and Unexpired leases in Connection with Sale of All or Substantially All Assets [Docket No. 96].
- **PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that, having received no qualified bids prior to the deadline established in the Bidding Procedures Order, on January 19, 2024, the Debtors filed the *Notice of Cancellation of Auction and Selection of Successful Bidder* [Docket No. 143].
- **PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that, on January 25, 2024, the Debtors filed the *Notice of Contracts to Be Assumed and Assigned at Closing* [Docket No. 147].
- **PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that, on January 25, 2024, the Committee filed the *Objection of the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors to Sale of Debtors' Assets* [Docket No. 148] (the "Committee Objection")
- **PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that the deadline to object to the sale was on January 19, 2024 at 4:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time), extended for the Committee to January 25, 2024, 4:00 p.m. (ET), and the deadline to object following the auction was on January 25, 2024 at 4:00 p.m. (ET).

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that, on January 26, 2024, the Debtors filed the *Notice of Adjournment of Hearing Scheduled for January 30, 2024* [Docket No. 151].

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that, on January 31, 2024, the Debtors filed the *Declaration of Robert White in Support of Sale Motion* [Docket No. 168].

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that, since the filing of the Committee Objection, the Debtors have resolved the Committee Objection. The proposed form of order reflects such resolution.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the proposed form of order granting the Motion is attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.

Dated: February 5, 2024 New York, New York WILLKIE FARR & GALLAGHER LLP

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Exhibit A

Proposed Order

SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK			
In re:	: Chapter 11		
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Debtors.	: (Jointly Administered) :		

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT

ORDER (I) APPROVING STALKING HORSE APA AND AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF CERTAIN ASSETS OF THE DEBTORS OUTSIDE THE ORDINARY COURSE OF BUSINESS, (II) AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF ASSETS FREE AND CLEAR OF ALL LIENS, CLAIMS, INTERESTS AND ENCUMBRANCES, (III) AUTHORIZING THE ASSUMPTION AND ASSIGNMENT OF CERTAIN EXECUTORY CONTRACTS AND UNEXPIRED LEASES IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, AND (IV) GRANTING RELATED RELIEF

Upon the Motion of the Debtors for Entry of Orders (I)(A) Approving Bidding Procedures for the Sale of All or Substantially All of the Debtors' Assets, (B) Authorizing the Debtors to Enter into the Stalking Horse APA and to Provide the Stalking Horse Bid Protections Thereunder, (C) Scheduling an Auction and Approving the Form and Manner of Notice Thereof, (D) Approving Assumption and Assignment Procedures and (E) Scheduling a Sale Hearing and Approving the Form and Manner of Notice Thereof and (F) Granting Related Relief; (II)(A) Approving the Sale of the Debtors' Assets Free and Clear of Liens, Claims, Interests and Encumbrances, (B) Approving the Assumption and Assignment of Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases [Docket

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No. 14] (the "Motion"),² filed by the above-captioned debtors and debtors-in-possession (collectively, the "Debtors") in the above-captioned chapter 11 cases (the "Chapter 11 Cases"); and pursuant to sections 105(a), 363 and 365 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code"); Rules 2002, 6003, 6004, 6006, 9007, 9008 and 9014 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "Bankruptcy Rules"); and Rules 2002-1, 6004-1 and 9006-1 of the Local Rules of Bankruptcy Practice and Procedure of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York (the "Local Rules"), seeking entry of an order (the "Order"): (a) approving that certain Asset Purchase Agreement (as may be amended or otherwise modified from time to time and including all related documents, exhibits, schedules, and agreements thereto, collectively, the "Stalking Horse APA"), substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit 1, between and among (A) (i) Troika Media Group, Inc., a Nevada corporation (the "Borrower"), (ii) Troika Mission Worldwide, Inc., a New York corporation, (iii) Troika Services, Inc., a New York corporation, (iv) Troika Design Group, Inc., a California corporation, (v) Troika Production Group, LLC, a California limited liability company, (vi) Troika-Mission Holdings, Inc., a New York corporation, (vii) MissionCulture LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, (viii) Mission Media USA, Inc., a New York corporation, (ix) Troika IO, Inc., a California corporation, (x) CD Acquisition Corp., a Delaware corporation, (xi) Converge Direct, LLC, a New York limited liability company, (xii) Converge Direct Interactive, LLC, a New York limited liability company, and (xiii) Lacuna Ventures, LLC, a New York limited liability company (each a "Seller", and collectively, the "Sellers") (B) BTC Converge Buyer LLC (together with each of its permitted successors, assigns and designees, collectively, the "Purchaser"), and (C) Blue Torch Finance LLC, a Delaware

Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the Motion or the Stalking Horse APA (as defined herein), as applicable.

limited liability company, solely in its capacity as (i) administrative agent and collateral agent (the "Prepetition Agent"; together with the Prepetition Lenders, the "Prepetition Secured Parties") for the Prepetition Lenders under that certain Financing Agreement³ and (ii) administrative agent and collateral agent (the "DIP Agent") for the DIP Lenders under that certain DIP Financing Agreement, 4 each signing solely for the purposes stated expressly in the Stalking Horse APA, and authorizing the sale of the Transferred Assets (as defined below) outside the ordinary course of business pursuant to the terms of the Stalking Horse APA and this Order (the "Sale" and such transaction, "Sale Transaction"), (b) approving the Sale of the Transferred Assets and other transactions contemplated by the Stalking Horse APA to the Purchaser free and clear of all Claims (as defined below), Liens (as defined in the Stalking Horse APA), Liabilities (as defined in the Stalking Horse APA), rights, other interests of any kind or nature whatsoever ("Interests"), and other encumbrances of any kind or nature whatsoever ("Encumbrances" and collectively, "Claims, Interests and Encumbrances") (other than Permitted Liens and Assumed Liabilities, as defined in the Stalking Horse APA) in accordance with the terms of the Stalking Horse APA, (c) approving the assumption and assignment of certain executory contracts and unexpired leases, and (d) granting certain related relief; and the Court having entered the Order (I) Approving Bidding

Reference is hereby made to that certain *Financing Agreement*, dated as of March 21, 2022, among the Borrower (as defined therein), the guarantors from time to time party thereto, the lenders party thereto from time to time (the "<u>Prepetition Lenders</u>"), and Blue Torch Finance LLC as administrative agent (the "<u>Prepetition Agent</u>") (as amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified through the Petition Date, the "<u>Prepetition Financing Agreement</u>" and, together with all related loan documents, the "<u>Prepetition Loan Documents</u>").

A Reference is hereby made to that certain Superpriority Secured Debtor-in-Possession Financing Agreement, dated as of December 8, 2022, among the Borrower (as defined therein), the guarantors from time to time party thereto, the lenders party thereto from time to time (the "<u>DIP Lenders</u>"), and Blue Torch Finance LLC as administrative agent (the "<u>DIP Agent</u>") (as amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified through the Petition Date, the "<u>DIP Financing Agreement</u>" and, together with all related loan documents, the "<u>DIP Loan Documents</u>").

Procedures for the Sale of Substantially All of the Debtors' Assets, (II) Authorizing the Debtors to Enter into the Stalking Horse APA and to Provide the Stalking Horse Bid Protections Thereunder, (III) Scheduling an Auction and Approving the Form and Manner of Notice Thereof, (IV) Approving Assumption and Assignment Procedures, (V) Scheduling a Sale Hearing and Approving the Form and Manner of Notice Thereof and (VI) Granting Related Relief (the "Bidding Procedures Order") [Docket No. 77] authorizing the Debtors to enter into the Stalking Horse APA pursuant to which the Purchaser agreed to serve as the "stalking horse bidder" with respect to the "Purchased Assets" (as defined thereunder and hereinafter referred to as, the "Transferred Assets"), free and clear of any Claims, Interests and Encumbrances, with such Sale to be in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Bidding Procedures Order and the Stalking Horse APA; and the Bidding Procedures Order having authorized the Debtors to conduct, and approved the terms and conditions of, an auction, if applicable, as required and as set forth in the Bidding Procedures (as defined below) (the "Auction") to consider higher or otherwise better offers for the Transferred Assets, establishing a date for the Auction, and approving, among other things (i) certain Bidding Procedures (the "Bidding Procedures") to be used in connection with the Auction, if applicable; (ii) the form and manner of notice of the Auction and Bidding Procedures; (iii) the form of Sale Notice (as defined below); (iv) the form of Assumption and Assignment Notice (as defined below); and (v) the procedures relating to the assumption and assignment of the Assumed Contracts (as defined in the Stalking Horse APA); and the Sale Hearing having been held on February 6, 2024; and the Court having reviewed and considered the relief sought in the Motion, the Stalking Horse APA, the Declaration of Robert White in Support of the Motion [Docket No. 168] (the "White Declaration"), all objections to the Motion, and the arguments of counsel made, and the evidence proffered or adduced at the Sale Hearing; and all parties in interest

having been heard or having had the opportunity to be heard regarding the Sale Transaction and the relief requested in this Order; and due and sufficient notice of the Sale Hearing and the relief sought therein having been given under the particular circumstances of these Chapter 11 Cases and in accordance with the Bidding Procedures Order; and it appearing that no other or further notice need be provided; and it appearing that the relief requested in the Motion is in the best interests of the Debtors, their estates, their creditors and all other parties in interest; and it appearing that the Court has jurisdiction over this matter; and it further appearing that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Motion and at the Sale Hearing establish just cause for the relief granted herein; and after due deliberation thereon,

THE COURT HEREBY MAKES THE FOLLOWING FINDINGS:5

Jurisdiction and Venue

A. This Court has jurisdiction to hear and determine the Motion pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334, and the Amended Standing Order of Reference M-431, dated January 31, 2012 (Preska, C.J.). This matter is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b). Venue of these Chapter 11 Cases is proper before this Court under 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409.

Statutory Predicates

B. The statutory predicates for the relief requested in the Motion are Bankruptcy Code sections 105(a), 363 and 365, Bankruptcy Rules 2002, 6004, 6006, 9007, 9008 and 9014 and Local Rules 2002-1 and 6004-1.

The findings and conclusions set forth herein constitute this Court's findings of fact and conclusions of law pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 7052, made applicable to this proceeding pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 9014. To the extent any of the following findings of fact constitute conclusions of law, they are adopted as such. To the extent any of the following conclusions of law constitute findings of fact, they are adopted as such.

Final Order

C. This Order constitutes a final order within the meaning of 28 U.S.C. § 158(a). Notwithstanding Bankruptcy Rules 6004(h) and 6006(d), , this Court expressly finds that there is no just reason for delay in the implementation of this Order, waives any stay, and expressly directs entry of judgment as set forth herein.

Notice of the Stalking Horse APA, Assumption and Assignment of Assumed Contracts, Sale Transaction, Sale Hearing and Bidding Procedures Order

- D. On December 7, 2023 (the "<u>Petition Date</u>"), the Debtors commenced these Chapter 11 Cases by filing voluntary petitions for relief under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code. Since the Petition Date, the Debtors have continued to operate and manage their businesses as debtors-in-possession pursuant to Bankruptcy Code sections 1107(a) and 1108.6
- E. Due and proper notice of the Sale [Docket No. 90] (the "Sale Notice") was served on all parties required to receive such notice under the Bidding Procedures Order. The Sale Notice was also published in the New York Times (National Edition) [Docket No. 123] in accordance with the Bidding Procedures Order. With respect to any parties that may be entitled to notice of the Sale, but whose identities or contact information are not reasonably ascertainable by the Debtors, the publication of the Sale Notice was reasonably calculated under the circumstances to reach such parties. The service and publication of the Sale Notice constituted good, sufficient, and appropriate notice of the Sale and of the relief requested by the Motion, and no further notice need be given with respect to the proposed Sale. As provided by the Sale Notice, a reasonable

A detailed description of the Debtors and their business, including the facts and circumstances giving rise to the Chapter 11 Cases, is set forth in the *Declaration of G. Grant Lyon in Support of Debtors' Chapter 11 Petitions and First Day Motions* (the "First Day Declaration"), filed on the Petition Date [Docket No. 11] and incorporated by reference herein. Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the First Day Declaration.

opportunity to object or be heard regarding the requested relief has been afforded to all interested persons and entities. Other parties interested in bidding on the Transferred Assets were provided, pursuant to the Bidding Procedures Order, sufficient information to make an informed judgment on whether to bid.

- F. The Debtors also filed with the Court and served on the Sale Notice Parties and each non-Debtor party under each executory contract or unexpired lease notice of the potential assumption and assignment of such executory contract or unexpired lease available to be assumed by the Debtors and assigned to the Purchaser, as reflected on (i) the notice of assumption, sale and assignment of the Assumed Contracts filed on January 4, 2024 [Docket No. 96] and (ii) the Closing Assignment Notice filed on January 25, 2024 [Docket No. 147] (together, the "Assumption and Assignment Notices"). Such notice was good, sufficient, and appropriate under the particular circumstances, and the counterparties to the Assumed Contracts are hereby deemed to consent to the relief granted herein unless otherwise provided in this Order.
- G. As evidenced by the affidavits of service [Docket Nos. 109 and 144] and publication [Docket No. 123] previously filed with this Court, and based on the representations of counsel at the Sale Hearing, due, proper, timely, adequate and sufficient notice of the Motion, the Bidding Procedures Order, the Bidding Procedures, the cancellation of the Auction, the Sale Hearing, the Assumption and Assignment Notices, the Stalking Horse APA, this Order and the Sale Transaction has been provided in accordance with Bankruptcy Code sections 102(1), 363, and 365; Bankruptcy Rules 2002, 6004, 6006, 9007, 9008 and 9014; and Local Rules 2002-1 and 6004-1. The Debtors have complied with all obligations to provide notice of the Motion, the Bidding Procedures Order, the Bidding Procedures, the cancellation of the Auction, the Sale Hearing, the Assumption and Assignment Notices, the Stalking Horse APA, this Order and the

Sale Transaction, as required by the Bidding Procedures Order. The aforementioned notices are good, sufficient and appropriate under the circumstances, and no other or further notice of the Motion, the Bidding Procedures Order, the Bidding Procedures, the Bid Deadline, the cancellation of the Auction, the Sale Hearing, the Assumption and Assignment Notices (including the Cure Amounts set forth therein), the Contract Objection Deadline, the Sale Objection Deadline, the Post-Auction Objection Deadline (each as defined in the Bidding Procedures Order), the Stalking Horse APA, this Order, or the Sale Transaction is or shall be required.

H. A reasonable opportunity to object or be heard regarding the relief requested in the Motion and provided in this Order was afforded to all parties in interest, including the Sale Notice Parties.

Compliance with the Bidding Procedures Order

- I. As demonstrated by the evidence proffered or adduced at the Sale Hearing and the representations of counsel at the Sale Hearing, the Debtors have complied in all material respects with the Bidding Procedures Order. The Debtors and their professionals engaged in a robust and extensive marketing and sale process and have marketed the Transferred Assets and conducted all aspects of the sale process in good faith and in compliance with the Bidding Procedures and the Bidding Procedures Order. Based upon the record of these proceedings, creditors, other parties in interest and prospective purchasers were afforded a reasonable and fair opportunity to bid for the Transferred Assets.
- J. The Bidding Procedures were substantively and procedurally fair to all parties and all potential bidders and afforded notice and a full, fair and reasonable opportunity for any person to make a higher or otherwise better offer to purchase the Transferred Assets. The Debtors conducted the sale process without collusion and in accordance with the Bidding Procedures. No other entity or group of entities has presented a higher or otherwise better offer to the Debtors to

purchase the Transferred Assets for greater economic value to the Debtors' estates than the Purchaser.

- K. The Bidding Procedures Order is incorporated herein by reference.
- L. Pursuant to the Bidding Procedures Order and as reflected in the *Notice of Cancellation of Auction and Selection of Successful Bidder* [Docket No. 143], the Purchaser is the Successful Bidder and the Stalking Horse Bid is the Successful Bid. The Purchaser has complied in all respects with the Bidding Procedures Order and all other applicable orders of this Court in negotiating and entering into the Stalking Horse APA, and the Sale Transaction and the Stalking Horse APA likewise comply with the Bidding Procedures Order and all other applicable orders of this Court.

Sale in Best Interests of the Debtors' Estates

- M. The Stalking Horse APA, including the form and total consideration to be realized by the Debtors under the Stalking Horse APA, (i) constitutes the highest and best offer received by the Debtors for the Transferred Assets; (ii) is fair and reasonable; and (iii) is in the best interests of the Debtors, their estates, their creditors, and all other parties in interest.
- N. The Debtors' determination that the consideration provided by the Purchaser under the Stalking Horse APA constitutes the highest and best offer for the Transferred Assets constitutes a valid and sound exercise of the Debtors' business judgment.
- O. Good and sufficient reasons for approval of the Stalking Horse APA and the transactions to be consummated in connection therewith have been articulated, and the relief requested in the Motion is in the best interests of the Debtors, their estates, their creditors, and other parties in interest. The Debtors have demonstrated both (i) good, sufficient, and sound business purposes and justifications and (ii) compelling circumstances for the Sale Transaction other than in the ordinary course of business, pursuant to section 363(b) of the Bankruptcy Code,

outside of a plan of reorganization, in that, among other things, the immediate consummation of the Sale Transaction to the Purchaser is necessary and appropriate to maximize the value of the Debtors' estates.

- P. The Sale Transaction must be approved and consummated promptly in order to maximize the viability of the Debtors' businesses as a going concern and to preserve the value of the Debtors' estates. Time is of the essence in consummating the Sale Transaction. Given all of the circumstances of these Chapter 11 Cases and the adequacy and fair value of the Purchase Price, the proposed Sale Transaction constitutes a reasonable and sound exercise of the Debtors' business judgment and should be approved.
- Q. The consummation of the Sale Transaction and the assumption and assignment of the Assumed Contracts are legal, valid, and properly authorized under all applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, including, without limitation, sections 105(a), 363(b), 363(f), 363(m), and 365 of the Bankruptcy Code, and all of the applicable requirements of such sections have been complied with in respect of the transaction.

Corporate Authority

R. Subject to entry of this Order, the Debtors (i) have full corporate power and authority to execute and deliver the Stalking Horse APA and all other documents contemplated thereby, (ii) have all of the necessary corporate power and authority to consummate the transactions contemplated by the Stalking Horse APA, including, without limitation, the Sale Transaction and the assumption and assignment of the Assumed Contracts, (iii) have taken all corporate action necessary to authorize and approve the Stalking Horse APA and the consummation by the Debtors of the transactions contemplated thereby, including, without limitation, the Sale Transaction and the assumption and assignment of the Assumed Contracts, and (iv) subject to entry of this Order, require no consents or approvals, including any consents or

approvals from any non-Debtor entities, other than those expressly set forth in the Stalking Horse APA, the DIP Orders (as defined below) or this Order, to consummate the transactions contemplated thereby, including, without limitation, the Sale Transaction and the assumption and assignment of the Assumed Contracts.

S. The Stalking Horse APA was not entered into, and none of the Debtors, including the Sellers, or the Purchaser has entered into the Stalking Horse APA or proposes to consummate the Sale Transaction, for the purpose of hindering, delaying or defrauding the Debtors' creditors, for the purpose of statutory and common law fraudulent conveyance and fraudulent transfer claims whether under the Bankruptcy Code or under the laws of the United States, any state, territory, possession thereof or the District of Columbia or any other applicable jurisdiction with laws substantially similar to the foregoing.

Credit Bid

- T. As set forth more fully in the DIP Orders, the Debtors have acknowledged that the Prepetition Obligations (as defined in the DIP Orders): (i) constitute legal, valid, binding, enforceable, unavoidable obligations of the Debtors, which are not subject to any Challenge (as defined in the DIP Orders); (ii) are secured by valid, binding, enforceable, unavoidable and properly perfected Prepetition Secured Liens on the Prepetition Collateral (each as defined in the DIP Orders), which are not subject to any Challenge; (iii) constitute allowed secured claims under section 502(a) of the Bankruptcy Code; and (iv) are authorized to be credit bid pursuant to section 363(k) of the Bankruptcy Code. The Prepetition Obligations in the amount of \$40,000,000 shall be contributed by the Prepetition Secured Lenders (as defined in the DIP Orders) to the Purchaser in connection with the Sale Transaction contemplated under the Stalking Horse APA.
- U. As set forth more fully in the DIP Orders, the DIP Obligations (as defined in the DIP Orders): (i) constitute legal, valid, binding, enforceable, unavoidable obligations of the

Debtors; (ii) are secured by valid, binding, enforceable, unavoidable and properly perfected DIP Liens on the DIP Collateral (each as defined in the DIP Orders); and (iii) are authorized to be credit bid pursuant to section 363(k) of the Bankruptcy Code. All outstanding DIP Obligations shall be contributed by the DIP Lenders (as defined in the DIP Orders) to the Purchaser in connection with the sale transaction contemplated under the Stalking Horse APA.

V. Pursuant to applicable law, including section 363(k) of the Bankruptcy Code, and in accordance with the DIP Orders, the Purchaser is authorized to credit bid up to the full amount of the Prepetition Obligations and/or the DIP Obligations, as contemplated under the Stalking Horse APA. Any such credit bid is valid and proper consideration pursuant to sections 363(b) and 363(k) of the Bankruptcy Code and the DIP Orders.

Good Faith

- W. The sales process engaged in by the Debtors and the Purchaser, including, without limitation, the negotiation of the Stalking Horse APA, was non-collusive, conducted in good faith from arm's-length bargaining positions, and substantively and procedurally fair to all parties in interest. None of the Debtors or the Purchaser has engaged in any conduct that would cause or permit the Stalking Horse APA or the Sale Transaction to be avoided, or costs or damages to be imposed, under Bankruptcy Code section 363(n).
- X. The Debtors and the Purchaser have complied, in good faith, in all respects with the Bidding Procedures Order and the Bidding Procedures. The Debtors (including the Sellers), and their respective management, boards of directors, board of managers (or comparable governing authority), employees, agents, and representatives, and the Purchaser and its employees, agents, advisors and representatives, each actively participated in the bidding process and in the Auction, and each acted in good faith and without collusion or fraud of any kind. The Purchaser subjected its bid to competitive bidding in accordance with the Bidding Procedures and was

designated the Successful Bidder for the Transferred Assets in accordance with the Bidding Procedures and the Bidding Procedures Order.

- Y. The Purchaser is a good faith purchaser within the meaning of Bankruptcy Code section 363(m), and is therefore entitled to the full protection of that provision in respect of the Sale Transaction, each term of the Stalking Horse APA (and any ancillary documents executed in connection therewith) and each term of this Order, and otherwise has proceeded in good faith in all respects in connection with this proceeding. None of the Debtors (including the Sellers) or the Purchaser has engaged in any conduct that would prevent the application of Bankruptcy Code section 363(m). The Debtors were free to deal with any other party interested in buying or selling some or all of the Transferred Assets on behalf of the Debtors' estates. The protections afforded by Bankruptcy Code section 363(m) are integral to the Sale Transaction and the Purchaser would not consummate the Sale Transaction without such protections.
- Z. The form and total consideration to be realized by the Debtors under the Stalking Horse APA constitutes fair value, fair, full and adequate consideration, reasonably equivalent value and reasonable market value for the Transferred Assets.

Free and Clear

AA. The transfer of the Transferred Assets to the Purchaser will be legal, valid, and effective transfers of the Transferred Assets, and will vest the Purchaser with all right, title, and interest of the Debtors to the Transferred Assets free and clear of all claims and liens (including, without limitation, any statutory lien on real and personal property and any and all "liens" as that term is defined and used in the Bankruptcy Code, including section 101(37) thereof), liabilities, interests, rights and encumbrances, including, without limitation, the following: all mortgages, restrictions (including, without limitation, any restriction on the use, voting rights, transfer rights, claims for receipt of income or other exercise of any attributes of ownership), hypothecations,

charges, indentures, loan agreements, instruments, leases, licenses, sublicenses, options, deeds of trust, security interests, equity interests, conditional sale rights or other title retention agreements, pledges, judgments, demands, rights of first refusal, consent rights, offsets, contract rights, rights of setoff, recoupment rights, rights of recovery, reimbursement rights, contribution claims, indemnity rights, exoneration rights, product liability claims, alter-ego claims, environmental rights and claims (including, without limitation, toxic tort claims), labor rights and claims, employment rights and claims, pension rights and claims, tax claims, regulatory violations by any governmental entity, decrees of any court or foreign or domestic governmental entity, charges of any kind or nature, debts arising in any way in connection with any agreements, acts, or failures to act, reclamation claims, obligation claims, demands, guaranties, option rights or claims, rights, contractual or other commitment rights and claims, and all other matters of any kind and nature, whether known or unknown, choate or inchoate, filed or unfiled, scheduled or unscheduled, noticed or unnoticed, recorded or unrecorded, perfected or unperfected, allowed or disallowed, contingent or non- contingent, liquidated or unliquidated, matured or unmatured, material or nonmaterial, disputed or undisputed, whether arising prior to or subsequent to the commencement of the Chapter 11 Cases, and whether imposed by agreement, understanding, law, equity or otherwise, including claims otherwise arising under any theory, law or doctrine of successor or transferee liability or theories of liability related to acting in concert or active participation with the Debtors or related theories (all of the foregoing, including, without limitation, Liens, and Liabilities, but excluding Assumed Liabilities (as defined in the Stalking Horse APA), collectively being referred to in this Order as "Claims" and, as used in this Order, the term "Claims" includes, without limitation, any and all "claims" as that term is defined and used in the Bankruptcy Code, including

section 101(5) thereof); <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that such transfer shall not be free and clear of any Permitted Liens and Assumed Liabilities.

- BB. The Debtors may transfer the Transferred Assets free and clear of all Claims, Interests and Encumbrances, other than any Permitted Liens and Assumed Liabilities, including, without limitation, rights or claims based on any successor or transferee liability or theories of liability related to actions in concert or active participation with the Debtors, because, in each case, one or more of the standards set forth in Bankruptcy Code section 363(f)(1)-(5) has been satisfied.
- CC. Those (i) holders of Claims or Interests and (ii) non-Debtor parties to the Assumed Contracts, who did not object or who withdrew their objections to the Motion, are deemed to have consented pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 363(f)(2). Those (a) holders of Claims or Interests and (b) non-Debtor parties to the Assumed Contracts who did object, fall within one or more of the other subsections of Bankruptcy Code section 363(f).
- DD. Each of (i) the DIP Secured Parties (as defined in the DIP Orders) and (ii) the Prepetition Secured Lenders has consented to the sale of the Transferred Assets to the Purchaser pursuant to the Stalking Horse APA free and clear of any Claims, Interests, or Encumbrances (other than the Permitted Liens and Assumed Liabilities) of the DIP Secured Parties and the Prepetition Secured Lenders against the Transferred Assets (the "Secured Lenders' Liens"), and any reference herein to Claims, Interests, or Encumbrances shall include the Secured Lenders' Liens.
- EE. The Debtors have, to the extent necessary, satisfied the requirements of section 363(b)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code.
- FF. The Purchaser would not have entered into the Stalking Horse APA and would not consummate the transactions contemplated thereby, including, without limitation, the Sale

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Transaction and the assumption and assignment of the Assumed Contracts, (i) if the transfer of the Transferred Assets were not free and clear of all Claims, Interests, and Encumbrances (other than any Permitted Liens and Assumed Liabilities), or (ii) if the Purchaser would, or in the future could, be liable for any such Claims, Interests, and Encumbrances (other than any Permitted Liens and Assumed Liabilities). The Purchaser will not consummate the transactions contemplated by the Stalking Horse APA, including, without limitation, the Sale Transaction and the assumption and assignment of the Assumed Contracts, unless this Court expressly orders that none of the Purchaser, its affiliates, its present or contemplated members or shareholders, or the Transferred Assets will have any liability whatsoever (other than any Permitted Liens and Assumed Liabilities) with respect to, or be required to satisfy in any manner, whether at law or equity, or by payment, setoff, or otherwise, directly or indirectly, any Claims, Interests, and Encumbrances.

GG. Not transferring the Transferred Assets free and clear of all Claims, Interests, and Encumbrances (other than any Permitted Liens and Assumed Liabilities) would adversely impact the Debtors' efforts to preserve the value of their estates, and the transfer of the Transferred Assets other than pursuant to a transfer that is free and clear of all Claims, Interests, and Encumbrances (other than any Permitted Liens and Assumed Liabilities) would be of substantially less benefit to the Debtors' estates.

HH. Neither the Purchaser nor any of its affiliates are a mere continuation of the Debtors or their estates, there is no continuity or common identity between the Purchaser, any of its affiliates and any of the Debtors, and there is no continuity of enterprise between the Purchaser, any of its affiliates and any of the Debtors. Neither the Purchaser nor any of its affiliates are holding themselves out to the public as a continuation of any of the Debtors. Neither the Purchaser nor any of its affiliates are a successor to any of the Debtors or their estates by reason of any theory

of law or equity, and none of the transactions contemplated by the Stalking Horse APA, including, without limitation, the Sale Transaction and the assumption and assignment of the Assumed Contracts amounts to a consolidation, merger, or *de facto* merger of the Purchaser or any of its affiliates with or into any of the Debtors.

II. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, and other than as may be set forth in the Stalking Horse APA or this Order, none of the Purchaser, its affiliates, its and their respective present or contemplated members or shareholders, or the Transferred Assets will have any liability whatsoever with respect to, or be required to satisfy in any manner, whether at law or equity, or by payment, setoff, or otherwise, directly or indirectly, any Claims relating to any U.S. federal, state or local income tax liabilities, that the Debtors may incur in connection with consummation of the transactions contemplated by the Stalking Horse APA, including, without limitation, the Sale Transaction and the assumption and assignment of the Assumed Contracts, or that the Debtors have otherwise incurred prior to the consummation of the transactions contemplated by the Stalking Horse APA.

Validity of Transfer

- JJ. The consummation of the transactions contemplated by the Stalking Horse APA, including, without limitation, the Sale Transaction and the assumption and assignment of the Assumed Contracts is legal, valid and properly authorized under all applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, including, without limitation, Bankruptcy Code sections 105(a), 363(b), 363(f), 363(m), 365(b) and 365(f), and all of the applicable requirements of such sections have been complied with in respect of the transactions contemplated under the Stalking Horse APA.
- KK. The Transferred Assets constitute property of the Debtors' estates and good title to the Transferred Assets of the Debtors is vested in the Debtors' estates within the meaning of

Bankruptcy Code section 541(a). The Debtors are the sole and lawful owners of the Transferred Assets, and no other person has any ownership right, title, or interest therein.

LL. The Stalking Horse APA has been duly and validly executed and delivered by the Debtors and, subject to the terms of the Stalking Horse APA, shall constitute a valid and binding obligation of the Debtors, enforceable against the Debtors in accordance with its terms. The Stalking Horse APA, the Sale Transaction, and the consummation thereof shall be specifically enforceable against and binding upon (without posting any bond) the Debtors and any chapter 7 or chapter 11 trustee appointed in these Chapter 11 Cases, and shall not be subject to rejection or avoidance by the foregoing parties or any other person.

Assumed Contracts

MM. The assumption and assignment of the Assumed Contracts pursuant to the Assumption and Assignment Notices, the terms of this Order, and the Stalking Horse APA is integral to the transactions contemplated by the Stalking Horse APA and is in the best interests of the Debtors, their estates and creditors, and all other parties in interest, and represents a reasonable exercise of the Debtors' sound and prudent business judgment.

NN. Pursuant to the terms of the Stalking Horse APA and this Order, on or before the Closing Date (as defined in the Stalking Horse APA), the Debtors or the Purchaser, as applicable, shall have, except as otherwise provided in the Stalking Horse APA or this Order or as otherwise expressly agreed to between the Debtors or the Purchaser (as applicable) and such counterparty: (i) cured, or provided adequate assurance of cure of, any monetary default existing as of and including the Closing Date under any of the Assumed Contracts, within the meaning of Bankruptcy Code section 365(b)(1)(A), (ii) provided compensation, or adequate assurance of compensation, to any party for actual pecuniary loss to such party resulting from a monetary default existing as of and including the Closing Date under any of the Assumed Contracts, within the meaning of

Bankruptcy Code section 365(b)(1)(B), and (iii) provided adequate assurance of future performance under the Assumed Contracts within the meaning of Bankruptcy Code sections 365(b)(1)(C), 365(b)(3) (to the extent applicable), and 365(f)(2)(B). To the extent that any counterparty to an Assumed Contract failed to timely object to its Cure Amount(s) or the assignment of its Assumed Contract(s), such counterparty is deemed to have consented to such Cure Amount(s) and to the assumption and assignment of its respective Assumed Contract(s) to the Purchaser and to have waived any other defaults or breaches relating to the period prior to Closing.

Application of Proceeds

- OO. Pursuant to the interim orders authorizing and approving the Debtors' debtor in possession financing and use of cash collateral [Docket Nos. 29, 76] (together, the "DIP Orders"), the Transferred Assets constitute Cash Collateral, Prepetition Collateral and DIP Collateral and are subject to the Adequate Protection Liens, Prepetition Secured Liens, and DIP Liens (each as defined in the DIP Orders). Subject to the "Payment in Full" (as defined in the DIP Orders) of the Prepetition Obligations (as defined in the DIP Orders), pursuant to the DIP Orders and the DIP Loan Documents (as defined in the DIP Orders), the Debtors are required to apply all consideration received from the Sale of the Transferred Assets in accordance with the terms of the DIP Orders and the Stalking Horse APA.
- PP. Time is of the essence in consummating the Sale Transaction. In order to preserve the value of the Transferred Assets, it is essential that the sale of the Transferred Assets and transfer of the Assumed Liabilities and Assumed Contracts occur within the time constraints set forth in the Stalking Horse APA. Accordingly, there is cause to waive the stays contemplated by Bankruptcy Rules 6004(h) and 6006(d).

QQ.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED THAT:

General Provisions

- 1. The Motion is GRANTED as provided herein.
- 2. Any objections and responses to the Motion or the relief requested therein that have not been withdrawn, waived, settled, or resolved, and all reservation of rights included in such objections and responses, are overruled on the merits and denied with prejudice. All persons and entities given notice of the Motion that failed to timely object thereto are deemed to consent to the relief granted herein, including for purposes of sections 363(f)(2), 365(c)(1), and 365(e)(2) of the Bankruptcy Code.
- 3. Entry into and performance under, and in respect of, the Stalking Horse APA attached hereto as Exhibit 1 and the consummation of the transactions contemplated thereby, including, without limitation, the Sale Transaction and the assumption and assignment of the Assumed Contracts is authorized and approved.

Approval of the Stalking Horse APA

- 4. The Stalking Horse APA, all ancillary documents, the transactions contemplated thereby, including, without limitation, the Sale Transaction, and the assumption and assignment of the Assumed Contracts (but subject to the Purchaser's rights with respect thereto pursuant to the Stalking Horse APA) and all the terms and conditions thereof, are approved. The failure specifically to include any particular provision of the Stalking Horse APA in this Order shall not diminish or impair the effectiveness of such provision, it being the intent of the Court that the Stalking Horse APA be authorized and approved in its entirety.
- 5. The Debtors and their respective officers, employees and agents are authorized to take any and all actions necessary, appropriate or reasonably requested by the Purchaser to perform, consummate, implement and close the Sale Transaction, including, without limitation,

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- (i) the sale to the Purchaser of all Transferred Assets, in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the Stalking Horse APA and this Order; and (ii) execution, acknowledgment and delivery of such deeds, assignments, conveyances and other assurance, documents and instruments of transfer and any action for purposes of assigning, transferring, granting, conveying and confirming to the Purchaser, or reducing to possession, the Transferred Assets, all without further order of this Court. The Debtors are further authorized to pay, without further order of this Court and in accordance with the Approved Budget (as defined in the DIP Orders), whether before, at or after the Closing Date, any reasonable and documented out-of-pocket expenses or costs that are required to be paid by the Debtors under the Stalking Horse APA, this Order or the Bidding Procedures Order, in order to consummate the Sale Transaction or perform their obligations under the Stalking Horse APA.
- 6. All persons and entities, including, without limitation, the Debtors, the Debtors' estates, all debt security holders, equity security holders, governmental tax and regulatory authorities, lenders, customers, vendors, employees, former employees, litigation claimants, trustees, trade creditors, and any other creditors (or agent of any of the foregoing) who may or do hold Claims (whether legal or equitable, secured or unsecured, matured or unmatured, contingent or noncontingent, senior or subordinated) against the Debtors or the Transferred Assets owned by the Debtors, arising under or out of, in connection with, or in any way relating to, the Debtors, the Transferred Assets owned by the Debtors, the operation or ownership of the Transferred Assets by the Debtors prior to the Closing Date, or the Sale Transaction, are hereby prohibited, forever barred, estopped, and permanently enjoined from asserting or pursuing such Claims against Purchaser, its affiliates, successors, assigns, its property or the Transferred Assets, including, without limitation, taking any of the following actions with respect to any Claims: (i) commencing

or continuing in any manner any action, whether at law or in equity, in any judicial, administrative, arbitral, or any other proceeding, against Purchaser, its affiliates, successors, assigns, assets (including the Transferred Assets), and/or properties; (i) enforcing, attaching, collecting, or recovering in any manner any judgment, award, decree, or order against Purchaser, its affiliates, successors, assigns, assets (including the Transferred Assets), and/or properties; (iii) creating, perfecting, or enforcing any Claim against Purchaser, its affiliates, any of their respective successors, assigns, assets (including the Transferred Assets), and/or properties; (iv) asserting a Claim as a setoff, right of subrogation, or recoupment of any kind against any obligation due against Purchaser, its affiliates or any of their respective successors or assigns; or (v) commencing or continuing any action in any manner or place that does not comply, or is inconsistent, with the provisions of this Order, the Stalking Horse APA, or the agreements or actions contemplated or taken in respect thereof, including the Debtors' ability to transfer the Transferred Assets to the Purchaser in accordance with the terms of this Order and the Stalking Horse APA. No such Person shall assert or pursue against Purchaser or its affiliates, successors or assigns any such Claim.

7. The Sale of the Transferred Assets to the Purchaser under the Stalking Horse APA constitutes a transfer for reasonably equivalent value and fair consideration under the Bankruptcy Code and laws of all applicable jurisdictions, including, without limitation, the laws of each jurisdiction in which the Transferred Assets are located, and the sale of the Transferred Assets to the Purchaser may not be avoided under any statutory or common law fraudulent conveyance and fraudulent transfer theories whether under the Bankruptcy Code or under the laws of the United States, any state, territory, possession thereof or the State of New York or any other applicable jurisdiction with laws substantially similar to the foregoing.

Transfer of the Transferred Assets Free and Clear

- 8. Pursuant to Bankruptcy Code sections 105(a) and 363(f), the Transferred Assets shall be sold free and clear of all Claims, Interests, and Encumbrances (other than any Permitted Liens and Assumed Liabilities), including, for the avoidance of doubt, the Secured Lenders' Liens, with all such Claims to attach to the proceeds of the Sale Transaction to be received by the Debtors with the same validity, force, priority and effect which they now have as against the Transferred Assets, subject to any claims and defenses the Debtors may possess with respect thereto; provided, however, that setoff rights will be extinguished to the extent there is no longer mutuality after the consummation of the Sale Transaction.
- 9. At Closing, all of the Debtors' right, title and interest in and to, and possession of, the Transferred Assets shall be immediately vested in the Purchaser pursuant to Bankruptcy Code sections 105(a), 363(b), and 363(f) free and clear of any and all Claims, Interests, and Encumbrances (other than any Permitted Liens and Assumed Liabilities). Such transfer shall constitute a legal, valid, binding and effective transfer of, and shall vest the Purchaser with good and marketable title to, the Transferred Assets. All persons or entities, presently or on or after the Closing Date, in possession of some or all of the Transferred Assets are directed to surrender possession of the Transferred Assets to the Purchaser or its designees on the Closing Date or at such time thereafter as the Purchaser may request.
- 10. This Order is and shall be binding upon and govern the acts of all entities, including, without limitation, all filing agents, filing officers, title agents, title companies, recorders of mortgages, recorders of deeds, registrars of deeds, registrars of patents, trademarks or other intellectual property, administrative agencies, governmental departments, secretaries of state, federal and local officials and all other persons and entities who may be required by operation of law, the duties of their office or contract, to accept, file, register or otherwise record or release

any documents or instruments, or who may be required to report or insure any title or state of title in or to any lease; and each of the foregoing persons and entities is hereby authorized to accept for filing any and all of the documents and instruments necessary and appropriate to consummate the Sale Transaction contemplated by the Stalking Horse APA.

11. Except as otherwise expressly provided in the Stalking Horse APA or this Order, all persons and entities (and their respective successors and assigns), including, but not limited to, all debt security holders, equity security holders, affiliates, foreign, federal, state and local governmental, tax and regulatory authorities, lenders, customers, vendors, employees, trade creditors, litigation claimants and other creditors holding Claims against the Debtors or the Transferred Assets arising under or out of, in connection with, or in any way relating to, the Debtors, their estates, the Debtors' predecessors or affiliates, the Transferred Assets, the ownership, sale or operation of the Transferred Assets prior to the Closing Date or the transfer of the Transferred Assets to the Purchaser, are hereby forever barred, estopped and permanently enjoined from asserting or prosecuting any cause of action or any process or other act or seeking to collect, offset, or recover on account of any Claims against the Purchaser, its successors or assigns, their property or the Transferred Assets, other than Permitted Liens and Assumed Liabilities. Following the Closing Date, no holder of any Claim, Interest or Encumbrance (other than Permitted Liens and Assumed Liabilities) shall interfere with the Purchaser's title to or use and enjoyment of the Transferred Assets based on or related to any such Claim, Interest or Encumbrance (other than Permitted Liens and Assumed Liabilities), or based on any action or omission of the Debtors, including any action or omission the Debtors may take in the Chapter 11 Cases.

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12. The Debtors are authorized and directed to execute such documents as may be necessary to release any Claims, Interests, or Encumbrances (other than Permitted Liens and Assumed Liabilities) of any kind against the Transferred Assets as such Claims, Interests, or Encumbrances (other than Permitted Liens and Assumed Liabilities) may have been recorded or may otherwise exist. If any person or entity that has filed financing statements, lis pendens or other documents or agreements evidencing Claims, Interests, or Encumbrances (other than Permitted Liens and Assumed Liabilities) against or in the Transferred Assets shall not have delivered to the Debtors prior to the Closing Date of the Sale Transaction, in proper form for filing and executed by the appropriate parties, termination statements, instruments of satisfaction, releases of all Claims, Interests, or Encumbrances (other than Permitted Liens and Assumed Liabilities) that the person or entity has with respect to the Transferred Assets, (i) the Debtors are hereby authorized to execute and file such statements, instruments, releases and other documents on behalf of the person or entity with respect to the Transferred Assets; (ii) the Purchaser is hereby authorized to file, register or otherwise record a certified copy of this Order, which, once filed, registered or otherwise recorded, shall constitute conclusive evidence of the release of all such Claims, Interests, or Encumbrances (other than Permitted Liens and Assumed Liabilities) against the Purchaser and the applicable Transferred Assets; (iii) the Debtors' creditors and the holders of any Claims, Interests, or Encumbrances (other than Permitted Liens and Assumed Liabilities) are authorized and directed to execute such documents and take all other actions as may be necessary to terminate, discharge or release their Claims, Interests, or Encumbrances (other than Permitted Liens and Assumed Liabilities) in the Transferred Assets and (iv) the Purchaser may seek in this Court or any other court to compel appropriate parties to execute termination statements, instruments of satisfaction and releases of all such Claims, Interests, or Encumbrances (other than

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Permitted Liens and Assumed Liabilities) with respect to the Transferred Assets. This Order is deemed to be in recordable form sufficient to be placed in the filing or recording system of each and every federal, state, or local government agency, department or office, and such agencies, departments and offices are authorized and directed to accept this Order for filing or recording. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the provisions of this Order authorizing the sale and assignment of the Transferred Assets free and clear of Claims, Interests, and Encumbrances (other than any Permitted Liens and Assumed Liabilities) shall be self-executing, and none of the Debtors or the Purchaser shall be required to execute or file releases, termination statements, assignments, consents or other instruments in order to effectuate, consummate and implement the provisions of this Order.

authorized, as of the Closing Date, to operate under any license, permit, registration and governmental authorization or approval of the Debtors with respect to the Transferred Assets, and all such licenses, permits, registrations and governmental authorizations and approvals are deemed to have been, and hereby are, directed to be transferred to the Purchaser with respect to the Transferred Assets as of the Closing Date. To the extent the Purchaser cannot operate under any such license, permit, registration and governmental authorization or approval in accordance with the previous sentence, such licenses, permits, registrations and governmental authorizations and approvals shall be in effect while the Purchaser, with assistance from the Debtors (and at the Purchaser's sole cost and expense), works promptly and diligently to apply for and secure all necessary government approvals for new issuance of such licenses, permits, registrations and governmental authorizations and approvals to the Purchaser. Nothing in this Order or the Stalking Horse APA precludes or enjoins the enforcement of any valid police or regulatory liability to a

governmental unit for acts taken by the Purchaser after the Closing Date, to which the Purchaser may be subject to as the owner or operator of any property that is a Transferred Asset after the Closing Date; provided, however, that all rights and defenses of the Purchaser under nonbankruptcy law are preserved. Nothing in this Order or the Stalking Horse APA authorizes the transfer or assignment of any governmental (i) license, (ii) permit, (iii) registration, (iv) authorization or (v) approval, or the discontinuation of any obligation thereunder, without compliance with all applicable legal requirements and approvals under police or regulatory law. Nothing in this Order divests any tribunal of any jurisdiction it may have under police or regulatory law.

14. No governmental unit (as defined in Bankruptcy Code section 101(27)) or any representative thereof may deny, revoke, suspend or refuse to renew any permit, license or similar grant relating to the operation of the Transferred Assets on account of the filing or pendency of the Chapter 11 Cases or the consummation of the Sale Transaction to the extent that any such action by a governmental unit or any representative thereof would violate Bankruptcy Code section 525.

No Successor or Transferee Liability

15. Upon the Closing Date, except as provided in the Stalking Horse APA, the entry of this Order and the Stalking Horse APA shall mean that the Purchaser (and any of its affiliates, successors, or assigns), as a result of any action taken in connection with the Stalking Horse APA, the consummation of the transactions contemplated by the Stalking Horse APA, including, without limitation, the Sale Transaction and the assumption and assignment of the Assumed Contracts, or the transfer or operation of the Transferred Assets, shall not be, nor be deemed to: (i) be a legal successor or successor employer to the Debtors, or otherwise be deemed a successor to the Debtors, and shall instead be, and be deemed to be, a new employer with respect to all federal or state

unemployment laws, including any unemployment compensation or tax laws, or any other similar federal or state laws; (ii) have, de facto, or otherwise, merged or consolidated with or into the Debtors; or (iii) be an alter ego or a mere continuation or substantial continuation of the Debtors or the enterprise(s) of the Debtors, or otherwise be deemed to be acting in concert or active participation with the Debtors, including, in the case of each of (i)-(iii), without limitation, (x) within the meaning of any foreign, federal, state or local revenue law, pension law, the Employee Retirement Income Security Act, the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act, the WARN Act (29 U.S.C. §§ 2101 et seq.) ("WARN"), Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act ("CERCLA"), the Fair Labor Standard Act, Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (as amended), the Age Discrimination and Employment Act of 1967 (as amended), the Federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (as amended), the National Labor Relations Act, 29 U.S.C. § 151, et seq. or (y) in respect of (a) any environmental liabilities, debts, claims or obligations arising from conditions first existing on or prior to the Closing Date (including, without limitation, the presence of hazardous, toxic, polluting, or contaminating substances or wastes), which may be asserted on any basis, including, without limitation, under CERCLA, (b) any liabilities, penalties, costs, debts or obligations of or required to be paid by the Debtors for any taxes of any kind for any period, labor, employment, or other law, rule or regulation (including, without limitation, filing requirements under any such laws, rules or regulations), (c) any products liability law or doctrine with respect to the Debtors' liability under such law, rule or regulation or doctrine or (d) any consumer protection law or doctrine with respect to the Debtors' liability under such law, rule or regulation or doctrine, including, without limitation, any liabilities, penalties, costs, debts or obligations imposed by the Federal Trade Commission and/or Bureau of Consumer Protection, of or required to be paid by the Debtors.

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- 16. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, and except as otherwise provided in the Stalking Horse APA and this Order, neither the Purchaser (nor any of its affiliates, successors or assigns) shall have any responsibility for (i) any liability or other obligation of the Debtors related to the Transferred Assets or (ii) any Claims against the Debtors or any of their predecessors or affiliates. By virtue of the Purchaser's purchase of the Transferred Assets, neither the Purchaser nor any of its affiliates shall have any liability whatsoever with respect to the Debtors' (or their predecessors' or affiliates') respective businesses or operations or any of the Debtors' (or their predecessors' or affiliates') obligations based, in whole or part, directly or indirectly, on any theory of successor or vicarious liability of any kind or character, or any theory based on acting in concert or active participation with the Debtors, or based upon any theory of antitrust, environmental (including, but not limited to CERCLA), successor or transferee liability, de facto merger or substantial continuity, labor and employment (including, but not limited to, WARN), consumer protection law, or products liability law, whether known or unknown as of the Closing Date, now existing or hereafter arising, asserted or unasserted, fixed or contingent, liquidated or unliquidated, including any liabilities or non-monetary obligations on account of any settlement or injunction or any liabilities on account of any taxes arising, accruing or payable under, out of, in connection with, or in any way relating to the operation of the Transferred Assets prior to the Closing Date or such later time as Purchaser is assigned and assumes any Assumed Contract (collectively, with the potential claims set forth in paragraph 15 above, "Successor or Transferee Liability"). The Purchaser would not have acquired the Transferred Assets but for the foregoing protections against Successor or Transferee Liability.
- 17. None of the Purchaser or its affiliates, successors, assigns, equity holders, employees or professionals shall have or incur any liability to, or be subject to any action by any

of the Debtors or any of their estates, predecessors, successors or assigns, arising out of the negotiation, investigation, preparation, execution, delivery of the Stalking Horse APA and the entry into and consummation of the Sale of the Transferred Assets, except as expressly provided in the Stalking Horse APA and this Order.

- 18. Nothing in this Order or the Stalking Horse APA shall require the Purchaser or any of its affiliates to (i) continue or maintain in effect, or assume any liability in respect of any employee, collective bargaining agreement, pension, fringe benefit or any trust arrangement or other agreements to which the Debtors are a party or have any responsibility therefor including, without limitation, pension benefits payable after retirement or other termination of employment; or (ii) assume any responsibility as a fiduciary, plan sponsor or otherwise, for making any contribution to, or in respect of the funding, investment or administration of any employee benefit plan, arrangement or agreement (including but not limited to pension plans) or the termination of any such plan, arrangement or agreement.
- 19. No bulk sales law or similar law of any state or other jurisdiction shall apply in any way to the transactions with the Debtors that are approved by this Order, including, without limitation, the Stalking Horse APA and the Sale Transaction.

Good Faith Sale

20. The Stalking Horse APA has been negotiated and executed, and the transactions contemplated thereby, including, without limitation, the Sale Transaction and the assumption and assignment of the Assumed Contracts, are and have been undertaken, by Debtors, the Purchaser and their respective representatives without collusion and in "good faith," as that term is defined in Bankruptcy Code section 363(m). Accordingly, the reversal or modification on appeal of the authorization provided herein to consummate the Sale Transaction shall not affect the validity of the Sale Transaction or any term of the Stalking Horse APA, and shall not permit the unwinding

of the Sale Transaction. The Purchaser is a good faith purchaser within the meaning of Bankruptcy Code section 363(m) and, as such, is entitled to the full protections of Bankruptcy Code section 363(m).

21. None of the Debtors or the Purchaser has engaged in any conduct that would cause or permit the Stalking Horse APA or the transactions contemplated thereby, including, without limitation, the Sale Transaction and the assumption and assignment of the Assumed Contracts, to be avoided or costs or damages to be imposed, under Bankruptcy Code section 363(n). The consideration provided by the Purchaser for the Transferred Assets under the Stalking Horse APA is fair and reasonable, and the Sale Transaction may not be avoided under Bankruptcy Code section 363(n).

Assumption and Assignment of the Assumed Contracts

- 22. Except as otherwise expressly provided in the Stalking Horse APA or this Order, upon the Closing Date, pursuant to Bankruptcy Code sections 105(a), 363, and 365, the Debtors are authorized to (i) assume each of the Assumed Contracts and assign the Assumed Contracts set forth in Exhibit 2 (the "Assumed Contracts Exhibit") attached hereto, which may be subsequently modified at any time prior to the date that is four (4) business days prior to the Closing Date and upon Purchaser's delivery of written notice to the Debtors, to add or remove certain executory contracts or unexpired leases, pursuant to the terms of the Stalking Horse APA, to the Purchaser free and clear of all Claims, Interests, and Encumbrances (other than any Permitted Liens and Assumed Liabilities) and (ii) execute and deliver to the Purchaser such documents or other instruments as may be reasonably requested by Purchaser to assign and transfer the Assumed Contracts to the Purchaser.
- 23. The Cure Amounts (as defined in the Stalking Horse APA) listed on the Assumption and Assignment Notices and Assumed Contracts Exhibit are the sole amounts

necessary to be paid upon assumption of the Assumed Contracts under Bankruptcy Code sections 365(b)(1)(A) and (B) and 365(f)(2)(A). All Cure Amounts, if any, shall be paid by the Purchaser. Upon the payment of the Cure Amounts, if any, by the Purchaser, the Assumed Contracts shall remain in full force and effect, and no default shall exist under the Assumed Contracts nor shall there exist any event or condition which, with the passage of time or giving of notice, or both, would constitute such a default. The Cure Amounts shall not be subject to further dispute or audit, including, without limitation, any based on performance prior to the Closing Date, irrespective of whether such Assumed Contract contains an audit clause. After the payment of the Cure Amounts by the Purchaser, none of the Debtors or the Purchaser shall have any further liabilities to the counterparties to the Assumed Contracts other than the Purchaser's obligations under the Assumed Contracts that accrue and become due and payable on or after the Closing Date.

24. In the event of a dispute as of, or after, the Closing Date regarding assumption and assignment or Cure Amount of any executory contract or unexpired lease proposed to be an Assumed Contract, the assumption and assignment of such executory contract or unexpired lease, and payment of any applicable Cure Amounts, shall be made following the entry of an order of the Court resolving any such dispute (or upon the consensual resolution of such dispute as may be agreed by the Purchaser and such counterparty and, solely with respect to disputes regarding Cure Amounts, the Debtors). Upon an election of the Purchaser to designate an executory contract or unexpired lease as an Excluded Contract (as defined in the Stalking Horse APA), the Purchaser shall have no liability whatsoever to the counterparty to such executory contract or unexpired lease or the Debtors; provided, however, that a counterparty to an Assumed Contract shall not be barred

from seeking additional amounts on account of any defaults occurring between the deadline to object to the Cure Amounts and the assumption of the contract.

- 25. To the extent any non-Debtor counterparty to an Assumed Contract has failed to timely object to a proposed Cure Amount, such Cure Amount has been and shall be deemed to be finally determined as the Cure Amount listed on the Assumption and Assignment Notice and any such non-Debtor counterparty shall be prohibited from challenging, objecting to, or denying the validity and finality of the Cure Amount at any time. The non-Debtor counterparty to an Assumed Contract is forever bound by the applicable Cure Amount and, upon payment of the Cure Amounts as provided herein and in the Stalking Horse APA, is hereby enjoined from taking any action against Purchaser with respect to any claim for cure under the Assumed Contract.
- 26. Any provisions in any Assumed Contract that prohibit or condition the assignment of such Assumed Contract or allow the party to such Assumed Contract to terminate, recapture, impose any penalty, condition on renewal or extension or modify any term or condition upon assignment of such Assumed Contract, constitute unenforceable anti-assignment provisions that are void and of no force and effect.
- 27. Any party that may have had the right to consent to the assignment of an Assumed Contract is deemed to have consented to such assignment, including for purposes of Bankruptcy Code sections 365(c)(1)(B) and 365(e)(2)(A)(ii) and otherwise, if such party failed to timely object to the assumption and assignment of such Assumed Contract.
- 28. Each Assumed Contract constitutes an executory contract or unexpired lease under the Bankruptcy Code and all requirements and conditions under Bankruptcy Code sections 363 and 365 for the assumption by the Debtors and assignment to the Purchaser of the Assumed Contracts have been, or will be, satisfied. Upon the Purchaser's assumption of the Assumed

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Contracts in accordance with the terms hereof, in accordance with Bankruptcy Code sections 363 and 365, (i) the Purchaser shall be fully and irrevocably vested with all rights, title and interest of the Debtors under the Assumed Contracts, (ii) the Purchaser shall be deemed to be substituted for the Debtors as a party to the applicable Assumed Contracts, and (iii) the Debtors shall be relieved, pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 365(k), from any further liability under the Assumed Contracts.

- 29. The Purchaser has demonstrated adequate assurance of future performance under the relevant Assumed Contracts within the meaning of Bankruptcy Code sections 365(b)(1)(C) and 365(f)(2)(B).
- There shall be no rent accelerations, assignment fees, increases or any other fees charged to the Debtors or the Purchaser as a result of the assumption, assignment and sale of the Assumed Contracts. Subject to the terms of the Stalking Horse APA, the validity of the transactions contemplated by the Stalking Horse APA, including, without limitation, the Sale Transaction and the assumption and assignment of the Assumed Contracts, shall not be affected by any dispute between any of the Debtors or their affiliates, and another party to an Assumed Contract regarding the payment of any amount. Upon assignment to the Purchaser, the Assumed Contracts shall be valid and binding, in full force and effect and enforceable by the Purchaser in accordance with their respective terms.
- 31. Pursuant to Bankruptcy Code sections 105(a), 363, and 365, all counterparties to the Assumed Contracts are forever barred and permanently enjoined from raising or asserting against the Debtors or the Purchaser any assignment fee, default, breach or claim of pecuniary loss, or condition to assignment, arising under or related to the Assumed Contracts existing as of and including the Closing Date under the Stalking Horse APA or arising by reason of the

consummation of transactions contemplated by the Stalking Horse APA, including, without limitation, the Sale Transaction and the assumption and assignment of the Assumed Contracts.

32. All counterparties to the Assumed Contracts shall cooperate and expeditiously execute and deliver, upon the reasonable requests of the Purchaser, and shall not charge the Debtors or the Purchaser for, any instruments, applications, consents or other documents which may be required or requested by any public or quasi-public authority or other party or entity to effectuate the applicable transfers in connection with the Sale of the Transferred Assets.

Failure to Specify Provisions

33. The failure specifically to include any particular provisions of the Stalking Horse APA in this Order shall not diminish or impair the effectiveness of such provisions, it being the intent of the Court that the Stalking Horse APA be authorized and approved in its entirety; provided, however, that this Order shall govern if there is any inconsistency between the Stalking Horse APA (including all ancillary documents executed in connection therewith) and this Order. Likewise, all of the provisions of this Order are nonseverable and mutually dependent. To the extent that this Order is inconsistent with any prior order or pleading with respect to the Motion in these Chapter 11 Cases, the terms of this Order shall control.

Non-Material Modifications

34. The Stalking Horse APA and any related agreements, documents, or other instruments may be modified, amended, or supplemented by the parties thereto, in a writing signed by such parties, and in accordance with the terms thereof, without further order of the Court, provided that any such modification, amendment or supplement does not have a material adverse effect on the Debtors' estates.

Additional Provisions

- 35. Each and every federal, state and governmental agency or department, and any other person or entity, is hereby authorized to accept any and all documents and instruments in connection with or necessary to consummate the Sale Transaction and all other transactions contemplated by the Stalking Horse APA.
- 36. No governmental unit may revoke or suspend any right, license, copyright, patent, trademark or other permission relating to the use of the Transferred Assets sold, transferred or conveyed to the Purchaser on account of the filing or pendency of these Chapter 11 Cases or the consummation of the Sale of the Transferred Assets.
- 37. Absent the express written consent of the Purchaser, the Debtors shall not settle or otherwise resolve any existing or future litigation with any third party or any governmental entity other than any settlement pursuant to which no restrictions are placed on or affecting the Transferred Assets or the operation of the business from and after the Closing Date or otherwise directly or indirectly materially affect the operations of, or impose successor or any other theory of liability upon, the Purchaser.
- 38. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein or in the Stalking Horse APA, all claims and causes of action under chapter 5 of the Bankruptcy Code and similar claims and causes of action under state or other applicable law held by the Sellers first arising on or prior to the Closing Date, whether actual or potential, against any and all parties, including the current and former directors, officers, and managers of the Sellers (such claims and actions, the "Avoidance Actions") and all of the rights, claims or causes of action of the Sellers of any kind, including those available under the Bankruptcy Code, against any officer, director, employee, manager or Affiliate of, or lender to, any Seller or any of their respective Affiliates shall be Transferred Assets pursuant to the Stalking Horse APA.

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- 39. Except as expressly provided in the Stalking Horse APA, nothing in this Order shall be deemed to waive, release, extinguish or estop the Debtors or their estates from asserting, or otherwise impair or diminish, any right (including, without limitation, any right of recoupment), claim, cause of action, defense, offset or counterclaim in respect of any Excluded Asset (as defined in the Stalking Horse APA).
- 40. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, in the Stalking Horse APA, or in the Final DIP Order, the amounts held in the Carve Out Reserves (as defined in the Final DIP Order) shall constitute Excluded Cash (as defined in the Stalking Horse APA) and, following entry of this Order and upon the Closing Date of the Sale Transactions, such amounts shall be transferred into an account to be maintained in trust by an escrow agent solely for the benefit of the Professional Persons (as defined in the Final DIP Order) of the Debtors and the Committee (the "Case Professionals"), in each case, retained in these cases under section 327, 328 and/or 1102 of the Bankruptcy Code (the "Professional Fees Account" and, such cash, the "Professional Fees Cash") to satisfy their Professional Fees and Expenses (as defined in the Stalking Horse APA). The DIP Agent and DIP Lenders (both as defined in the Final DIP Order) shall be deemed to have satisfied their obligations with respect to the Carve Out (as defined in the Final DIP Order) and the Carve Out Reserves as set forth in the Final DIP Order upon such transfer. Except as set forth in this paragraph, nothing in this Order shall impair, modify, or otherwise affect the Carve Out. The Debtors are authorized, without further notice or relief from this Court, to enter into an escrow agreement which shall govern the distributions from the Professional Fees Account (the "Escrow Agreement"), take any and all actions that are necessary or appropriate in the exercise of their business judgment to implement the terms of the Escrow Agreement, including engaging applicable escrow agents and to make or authorize the payments contemplated in connection

therewith. Professional Fees Cash may be released and applied in accordance with the terms of the Escrow Agreement, upon Court order approving the payment of any fees and expenses of any Case Professionals (including pursuant to any interim compensation order, any final fee orders, or any order of the Court allowing professional fees and expenses on an interim basis or a final basis); provided, that, to the extent there are any unused Professional Fees Cash in the Professional Fees Account after the satisfaction of all such claims of Case Professionals, such cash shall be returned to the Purchaser.

- 41. All entities that are presently, or on the Closing Date may be, in possession of some or all of the Transferred Assets are hereby directed to surrender possession of the Transferred Assets to the Purchaser on or prior to the Closing Date or such later date that such party and Purchaser mutually agree.
- 42. Nothing contained in any plan of liquidation or reorganization, or order of any type or kind entered in these Chapter 11 Cases, any subsequent chapter 7 or chapter 11 case of the Debtors, or any related proceeding subsequent to entry of this Order, will conflict with or derogate from the terms of this Order or the Stalking Horse APA.
- 43. This Order and the Stalking Horse APA shall be binding in all respects upon all prepetition and postpetition creditors of the Debtors, all interest holders of the Debtors, all non-Debtor parties to the Assumed Contracts, the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors appointed on December 18, 2023 (the "Committee"), all successors and assigns of the Debtors and their affiliates and subsidiaries, and any trustees, examiners, "responsible persons" or other fiduciaries appointed in these Chapter 11 Cases or upon a conversion of the Debtors' cases to those under chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code, including a chapter 7 trustee, and the Stalking Horse APA and Sale Transaction shall not be subject to rejection or avoidance under any circumstances by any

party. If any order under Bankruptcy Code section 1112 is entered, such order shall provide (in accordance with Bankruptcy Code sections 105 and 349) that this Order and the rights granted to the Purchaser hereunder shall remain effective and, notwithstanding such dismissal, shall remain binding on parties in interest. For the avoidance of doubt, the Debtors' inability to satisfy in full all administrative expense claims of the Debtors' estates shall not be a basis for termination, rejection or avoidance (as applicable) of the Stalking Horse APA or the Sale Transaction.

44. This Court shall retain exclusive jurisdiction to, among other things, interpret, implement, and enforce the terms and provisions of this Order and the Stalking Horse APA, all amendments thereto and any waivers and consents thereunder and each of the agreements executed in connection therewith to which the Debtors are a party or which has been assigned by the Debtors to the Purchaser, and to adjudicate, if necessary, any and all disputes concerning or relating in any way to the Sale Transaction, including any and all disputes with any counterparty to any executory contract or unexpired lease of the Debtors (including, without limitation, disputes with respect to assumption and assignment of any Assumed Contracts or any cure disputes) and any party that has, or asserts, possession, control or other rights in respect of any of the Transferred Assets; provided, however, that, in the event the Court abstains from exercising or declines to exercise such jurisdiction with respect to the Stalking Horse APA, the Bidding Procedures Order, or this Order, such abstention, refusal, or lack of jurisdiction shall have no effect upon and shall not control, prohibit, or limit the exercise of jurisdiction of any other court having competent jurisdiction with respect to any such matter. This Court retains exclusive jurisdiction to compel delivery of the Transferred Assets, to protect the Debtors and their assets, including the Transferred Assets, against any Claims and Successor or Transferee Liability and to enter orders, as

appropriate, pursuant to Bankruptcy Code sections 105(a) or 363 (or other applicable provisions) necessary to transfer the Transferred Assets to the Purchaser.

- 45. At any time prior to the Closing Date, the Purchaser or the Debtors may terminate the Stalking Horse APA pursuant to the terms thereof without any penalty or liability to the Purchaser or the Debtors (or their estates), except as set forth in the Stalking Horse APA and this Order.
- 46. This Order constitutes a final order within the meaning of 28 U.S.C. § 158(a). Notwithstanding any provision in the Bankruptcy Rules to the contrary, including but not limited to Bankruptcy Rules 6004(h) and 6006(d), the Court expressly finds there is no reason for delay in the implementation of this Order and, accordingly: (a) the terms of this Order shall be immediately effective and enforceable upon its entry; (b) the Debtors are not subject to any stay of this Order or in the implementation, enforcement or realization of the relief granted in this Order; and (c) the Debtors and the Purchaser may, in their discretion and without further delay, take any action and perform any act authorized under this Order.
- 47. The Purchaser shall not be required to seek or obtain relief from the automatic stay under Bankruptcy Code section 362, to give any notice permitted by the Stalking Horse APA or to enforce any of its remedies under the Stalking Horse APA or any other sale-related document. The automatic stay imposed by Bankruptcy Code section 362 is modified solely to the extent necessary to implement the preceding sentence; <u>provided however</u>, that this Court shall retain exclusive jurisdiction over any and all disputes with respect thereto.
- 48. Notwithstanding the provisions of Bankruptcy Rules 6004(h) and 6006(d) or any applicable provisions of the Local Rules, this Order shall not be stayed after the entry hereof, but shall be effective and enforceable immediately upon entry, and the 14-day stay provided in

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Bankruptcy Rules 6004(h) and 6006(d) is hereby expressly waived and shall not apply. Time is

of the essence in closing the Sale Transaction and the Debtors and the Purchaser intend to close

the Sale Transaction as soon as practicable.

49. All time periods set forth in this Order shall be calculated in accordance with

Bankruptcy Rule 9006(a).

50. This Court shall retain jurisdiction with respect to all matters arising from or

relating to this Order.

Dated:		
	New York, New York	

HONORABLE DAVID S. JONES UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE

Exhibit 1

Stalking Horse APA

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ASSET PURCHASE AGREEMENT

by and among

BTC CONVERGE BUYER LLC,

as Buyer,

THE SELLERS PARTY HERETO

and

solely for the purposes stated expressly herein,

BLUE TORCH FINANCE LLC,

as Prepetition Agent and DIP Agent

Dated as of [●]

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ASSET PURCHASE AGREEMENT

This ASSET PURCHASE AGREEMENT (the "Agreement"), dated as of [] (the "Agreement Date"), is made and entered into by and among (i) BTC Converge Buyer LLC, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (together with any assignee(s) or designee(s) pursuant to Section 10.2, "Buyer"), (ii) Troika Media Group, Inc., a Nevada corporation (the "Borrower"), Troika Production Group, LLC, a California limited liability company, Troika-Mission Holdings, Inc., a New York corporation, Troika IO, Inc., a California corporation, MissionCulture LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, Mission Media USA, Inc., a New York corporation, Troika Mission Worldwide, Inc., a New York corporation, Troika Services, Inc., a New York corporation, Converge Direct, LLC, a New York limited liability company, Converge Direct Interactive, LLC, a New York limited liability company, Lacuna Ventures, LLC, a New York limited liability company, Troika Design Group, Inc., a California corporation, and CD Acquisition Corp., a Delaware corporation (each a "Seller," and collectively, the "Sellers"), and (iii) Blue Torch Finance LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, solely in its capacity as administrative agent and collateral agent for the Prepetition Lenders (as defined below) and signing solely with respect to Section 3.2, Section 10.4, and Sections 10.7 to 10.19 of this Agreement (the "Prepetition Agent"). The Administrative Agent, Buyer and Sellers collectively are referred to herein as the "Parties" and each, a "Party."

RECITALS:

- A. The Sellers operate a marketing and advertising services business that architects and builds enterprise value in consumer facing brands to generate scalable, performance-driven revenue growth (the "Business").
- B. Reference is made to that certain Financing Agreement, dated as of March 21, 2022, by and among the Borrower, the guarantors from time to time party thereto, the lenders from time to time party thereto (the "Prepetition Lenders"), and the Administrative Agent (as amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, the "Prepetition Financing Agreement"). The obligations under the Prepetition Financing Agreement and the other Prepetition Loan Documents (as defined below) are secured by Liens in and upon substantially all property and assets of the Sellers.
- C. Buyer is an entity organized for the purpose of effecting the rights and interests of the Prepetition Lenders in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Prepetition Loan Documents.
- D. Prior to the execution of this Agreement, each of the Sellers (other than Converge Marketing Services, LLC ("CMS")) filed voluntary petitions for relief under chapter 11 of Title 11 of the United States Code, 11 U.S.C. Sections 101 et seq. (as amended, the "Bankruptcy Code"), in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York (the "Bankruptcy Court") (such cases, the "Cases").
- E. Upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in this Agreement, and as authorized under sections 363 and 365 of the Bankruptcy Code as relates to the Sellers, the Sellers

propose to sell, transfer and assign to Buyer, and Buyer proposes to purchase, acquire and assume from the Sellers, respectively, the Purchased Assets and Assumed Liabilities.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual representations, warranties, covenants and agreements contained herein, and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, and upon the terms and subject to the conditions hereof, the Parties, intending to be legally bound, hereby agree as follows:

ARTICLE I DEFINITIONS

- 1.1 <u>Defined Terms</u>. As used herein, the terms below shall have the following respective meanings:
- "Acquired Bank Accounts" shall mean the bank accounts of Sellers that Buyer elects to acquire by written notice to Sellers on or before the date that is ten (10) days prior to Closing.
- "Administrative Agents" shall mean, collectively, the Prepetition Agent and the DIP Agent.
- "Administrative Expenses" shall mean, collectively, the administrative expenses incurred by Sellers in the Cases, including expenses of the kind specified in Sections 105, 326, 328, 330, 331, 365, 503(a), 503(b), 546(c), 546(d), or 726 (to the extent permitted by Law) of the Bankruptcy Code, and any other provision of the Bankruptcy Code (including, subject to entry of the DIP Order, Section 506(c) of the Bankruptcy Code).
- "Affiliate" shall mean, with respect to any Person, any other Person that, directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controls, or is controlled by, or is under common control with, such Person, and the term "control" (including the terms "controlled by" and "under common control with") means the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of such Person, whether through ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise.
 - "Agreement" shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble.
 - "Agreement Date" shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble.
- "Allocation Schedule" shall mean the schedule allocating the Purchase Price, the Assumed Liabilities and any other items that are treated as consideration for U.S. federal income tax purposes in accordance with Section 1060 of the Code and the Treasury Regulations thereunder and any corresponding requirements of any state, local, or foreign Tax Laws, as applicable.
- "Alternate Transaction" shall mean a transaction or transactions pursuant to which any of the Sellers or any of its Affiliates, in one or a series of transactions, sells, transfers, exchanges, leases or otherwise disposes of, directly or indirectly, all or any material portion of the Purchased Assets, including any transaction pursuant to one or more Competing Qualified Bids or through any other asset sale, stock sale, share exchange, debt-for-equity swap, joint venture, credit bid, financing, merger, amalgamation, business combination, reorganization, restructuring or

recapitalization, a plan of reorganization, a plan of arrangement or any similar transaction, in each case that would not involve a sale or disposition of any or all of the Purchased Assets (other than the sale or provision of services of the Business in the Ordinary Course of Business) or the Business to Buyer; <u>provided</u>, that any disposition of Purchased Assets that is expressly permitted by <u>Section 6.2</u> of this Agreement shall not be deemed an Alternate Transaction.

"<u>Anti-Corruption Laws</u>" shall mean the FCPA and all other applicable Laws concerning or relating to bribery or corruption in any jurisdiction in which any Seller or any of its Affiliates is located or is doing business.

"Anti-Money Laundering Laws" shall mean the U.S. Patriot Act, as amended, and all other applicable Laws in any jurisdiction in which any Seller or any of its Affiliates is located or is doing business, which Laws relate to money laundering, any predicate crime to money laundering, or any financial record keeping and reporting requirements related thereto.

- "Antitrust Laws" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6.12(b).
- "Assumed Benefit Plan" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6.6(d).
- "Assumed Contracts" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.5(a).
- "Assumed Liabilities" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.3.
- "Assumption Notice" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.5(e).
- "Auction" shall mean the auction for the Purchased Assets to be conducted on the Auction Date in the event of the submission of one or more Competing Qualified Bids in accordance with the terms and provisions of the Bidding Procedures Order and as expressly defined in the Bidding Procedures.
- "<u>Auction Date</u>" shall mean the date of the Auction scheduled by the Bankruptcy Court and set forth in the Bidding Procedures Order or such later date as shall be announced by the Sellers and agreed upon by the Sellers and Buyer.
 - "Available Contracts" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.5(a).
- "Avoidance Actions" shall mean those actual and/or potential claims and causes of action under sections 502(d), 544, 545, 547, 548 and 550 of the Bankruptcy Code, or any other avoidance actions under the Bankruptcy Code.
 - "Bankruptcy Code" shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals.
 - "Bankruptcy Court" shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals.
 - "Bankruptcy Milestones" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.3.

"Bankruptcy Rules" shall mean the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure originally promulgated pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2075, and the general, local and chambers rules of the Bankruptcy Court applicable to the Cases.

"Benefit Plan" shall mean any "employee benefit plan" (within the meaning of Section 3(3) of ERISA, including multiemployer plans within the meaning of Section 3(37) of ERISA), and all 401(k), pension, severance, retirement, consulting, compensation, profit sharing, commission, employment, change in control, retention, fringe benefit, bonus, stock or other equity, equity-based, option, incentive compensation, restricted stock, stock appreciation right or similar right, phantom equity, profits interests, deferred compensation, employee loan, vacation, paid time off, welfare, medical, dental, vision, flexible benefit, cafeteria, dependent care, disability or wage continuation benefits during periods of absence from work (including short-term disability, longdisability and worker's compensation benefits), supplemental unemployment, hospitalization, life insurance, death or survivor benefits, employment insurance, and all other employee benefit plans, programs, policies, practices, agreements and other arrangements, and any funding vehicle therefor now in effect or required in the future to be established as a result of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, in each case, whether or not subject to ERISA, whether formal or informal, written or oral, insured or self-insured, funded or unfunded, binding or not, that (i) provides benefits or compensation to, or which has any application to, any present or former employee, director, independent contractor or other individual service provider of any Seller or any beneficiary or dependent of such persons, (ii) is adopted, maintained, sponsored, contributed to, or required to be contributed to by any Seller, or (iii) with respect to which any Seller is a party, is bound, participates in, or has or could reasonably be expected to have any Liability with respect thereto, whether actual or contingent, or direct or indirect.

"Bidding Procedures" shall mean the Bidding Procedures filed with the Bankruptcy Court in the form attached as Exhibit 1 to the Bidding Procedures Order and approved by the Bankruptcy Court, with any substantive changes thereto in form and substance reasonably acceptable to Buyer and Sellers.

"Bid" shall have the meaning ascribed to such term in the Bidding Procedures.

"Bidding Procedures Motion" shall mean the motion filed in the Cases, which motion shall be in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to Sellers and Buyer (together with all exhibits thereto), (i) seeking approval of (A) this Agreement and the Transactions and (B) the Bidding Procedures and scheduling certain dates, deadlines and forms of notice in connection therewith, (ii) authorizing the payment of the Expense Reimbursement to Buyer, and (iii) granting other related relief.

"<u>Bidding Procedures Order</u>" shall mean the order entered by the Bankruptcy Court approving the Bidding Procedures Motion, the Bidding Procedures and granting the relief requested therein in the form set forth in <u>Exhibit A</u>, with any substantive changes thereto in form and substance reasonably acceptable to Buyer and Sellers.

"Bill of Sale and Assignment and Assumption Agreement" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.1(b)(i).

- "Borrower" shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble.
- "Budget" shall have the meaning ascribed thereto in the DIP Documents.
- "Business" shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals.
- "Business Day" shall mean any day other than a Saturday, Sunday or a legal holiday on which banking institutions in New York City, New York or Governmental Entities in the State of Delaware are authorized or obligated by Law or executive order to close.
- "Business Employee" means each employee of a Seller as of immediately prior to the Closing.
 - "Buyer" shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble.
 - "Cases" shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals.
 - "Claims" shall have the meaning as defined in the Bankruptcy Code.
 - "Closing" shall mean the consummation of the Transactions.
 - "Closing Date" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.1.
 - "CMS" shall have the meaning set forth in Recitals.
 - "CMS Balance Sheet" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.13.
 - "CMS Financial Statements" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.13.
 - "CMS Interim Financial Statements" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.13.
- "CMS MSA" shall mean the Master Services Agreement dated December 6, 2023, between CMS and Converge Direct, LLC, a New York limited liability company ("Converge Direct"), for the services provided by Converge Direct to CMS.
- "Code" shall mean the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the regulations promulgated thereunder.
- "Competing Qualified Bid" shall have the meaning of "Qualified Bid" as set forth in the Bidding Procedures.
- "Confidential Information" shall mean all information in any form or medium that relates to the Business, the Purchased Assets or the Assumed Liabilities, including financial information, projections, pricing structures, technical data, Trade Secrets, know-how, ideas, inventions, designs, research, development plans, identities of, and arrangements with, customers and suppliers, software and databases, but shall not include any information that (i) at the time of disclosure thereof is generally available to the public (other than as a result of disclosure in violation of this Agreement), (ii) is, was or hereafter becomes available to the receiving party from a source not known by the receiving party to be bound by obligations of confidentiality with respect

to such information, or (iii) is independently developed by the receiving party following the Closing Date without reliance on or use of any Confidential Information.

"Contract" shall mean any lease, sublease, license, sublicense, agreement, contract, contract right, obligation, trust, purchase order, sale order, instrument and other similar arrangements, whether or not in written form, that is binding upon a Person or its property (including any binding commitment to enter into any of the foregoing).

"Contracting Parties" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 10.17.

"Copyrights" shall have the meaning set forth in the definition of Intellectual Property.

"Credit Bid Amount" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.2(a).

"Credit Documents" shall mean, collectively, the Prepetition Loan Documents and the DIP Documents.

"Cure Amounts" shall mean all amounts payable that must be paid or otherwise satisfied to cure all of the Sellers' monetary defaults under the Assumed Contracts at the time of the assumption thereof and assignment to Buyer pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code.

"Debt" shall mean, without duplication, (i) indebtedness or other obligations for borrowed money or in respect of loans or advances or issued in substitution for or exchange of indebtedness for borrowed money or loans or advances, whether short-term or long-term, secured or unsecured, (ii) any indebtedness or other obligations evidenced by any note, bond, debenture or other debt security or instrument, (iii) all obligations to pay the deferred purchase price of property or services, contingent or otherwise (including all "earn-out" obligations), (iv) all obligations under interest rate and currency hedging agreements, including swap breakage or associated fees, (v) all obligations arising from bankers' acceptances, letters of credit (to the extent drawn) and cash/book overdrafts or similar facilities, (vi) all obligations for the payment of which a Person is responsible or liable, directly or indirectly, as obligor, guarantor or otherwise, including guarantees of such obligations, (vii) any obligations under leases that have been or are required to be, in accordance with GAAP, recorded as capital leases, (viii) any indebtedness or other obligations secured by a Lien on any Seller's interest in any assets, and (ix) all accrued interest, premiums, penalties (including any prepayment penalties or premiums) and other obligations related to any of the foregoing.

"Debtors" shall mean the Sellers as debtors in possession that filed the Cases.

"Designation Notice" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.5(a).

"<u>Determination Deadline</u>" shall have the meaning set forth in <u>Section 2.5(a)</u>.

"<u>DIP Agent</u>" shall mean Blue Torch Finance LLC, as administrative agent and collateral agent under the DIP Facility.

"<u>DIP Documents</u>" shall mean that certain Superpriority Secured Debtor-in-Possession Financing Agreement by and among the DIP Lenders, the Sellers, and the DIP Agent and the other Loan Documents (as defined therein).

"<u>DIP Facility</u>" shall mean the debtor-in-possession term loan facility pursuant to which the DIP Lenders agreed to provide up to \$11.0 million in debtor-in-possession financing commitments on the terms set forth in the DIP Documents.

"DIP Lenders" shall mean the lenders providing the DIP Facility.

"Documents" shall mean all of the Sellers' written files, documents, instruments, papers, books, reports, records, tapes, microfilms, photographs, letters, budgets, forecasts, plans, operating records, safety and environmental reports, data, studies, and documents, Tax Returns, ledgers, journals, title policies, customer lists, regulatory filings, operating data and plans, research material, technical documentation (design specifications, engineering information, test results, maintenance schedules, functional requirements, operating instructions, logic manuals, processes, flow charts, etc.), user documentation (installation guides, user manuals, training materials, release notes, working papers, etc.), marketing documentation (sales brochures, flyers, pamphlets, web pages, etc.), and other similar materials, in each case whether or not in electronic form.

"Equity Interests" of any Person shall mean all (i) shares of capital stock, rights to purchase shares of capital stock, warrants, options, calls or restricted stock (whether or not currently exercisable), (ii) equity appreciation, phantom stock, stock plans, profit participation plans, profit units, profit interests, equity plans or similar rights, (iii) participations or other equivalents of or interests in (however designated, including units thereof) the equity (including common stock, preferred stock and limited liability company, partnership and joint venture interests) of such Person and (iv) securities exchangeable for or convertible or exercisable into any of the foregoing.

"ERISA" shall mean the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended, and the regulations promulgated thereunder.

"ERISA Affiliate" shall mean, with respect to any Person, any trade or business (whether or not incorporated) which is a member of a group of which such Person is a member and which would be deemed to be a "controlled group" within the meaning of Sections 414(b), (c), (m) and (o) of the Code.

"Estate Escrow Funds" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 10.22.

"Excluded Assets" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.2.

"Excluded Cash" shall mean, collectively, (a) cash on hand in the amount necessary to, subject to the terms of the DIP Orders (including, for the avoidance of doubt, the carve-out provisions set forth in paragraph 15 therein) and Budget (each as approved by the Bankruptcy Court in connection with the DIP Facility), satisfy the allowed Professional Fees and Expenses that are unpaid as of the Closing Date and (b) cash in the amount of \$400,000 to fund an orderly liquidation, dismissal or conversion of the Cases and the dissolution of the Sellers and Debtors, as applicable, and certain other expenses set forth therein (the "Wind-Down Amount"), to be used in accordance with a budget acceptable to the Debtors and Buyer (the "Wind-Down Budget") (to be

finalized prior to the Sale Hearing and attached as an exhibit to the Sale Order); <u>provided</u> that the Wind-Down Amount shall be increased in the amount of \$3,000,000 (the "<u>Incremental Wind Down Reserve Amount</u>") upon the Sellers' receipt of the Escrow Funds in accordance with <u>Section 10.22</u>.

"Excluded Contracts" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.2(a).

"Excluded Documents" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.2(e).

"Excluded Liabilities" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.4.

"Expense Reimbursement" shall mean, following entry of the Bidding Procedures Order, all reasonable and documented out-of-pocket fees and expenses, including all professional fees and expenses and travel expenses, incurred by Buyer or the Administrative Agents, in each case, without duplication and to the extent not otherwise payable to, and received by, the Administrative Agents pursuant to the DIP Documents or the Prepetition Loan Documents, in connection with the diligence, negotiation, execution, delivery, performance and enforcement of this Agreement and the Transactions contemplated thereby, as determined by Buyer and its advisors in their reasonable discretion, which aggregate total amount shall not, in any event, exceed \$1,000,000.

"Express Representations" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5.8(b).

"Extended Contract Period" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.5(a).

"FCPA" shall mean the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977, as amended, 15 U.S.C. §§78dd-1, et seq.

"<u>Final DIP Order</u>" shall mean an Order of the Bankruptcy Court acceptable to the DIP Agent and DIP Lenders, authorizing and approving on a final basis, among other things, the DIP Documents and the DIP Facility on a final basis (as the same may be amended, supplemented, or modified from time to time after entry thereof with the consent of DIP Agent, in its sole discretion) as to which no stay has been entered.

"Final Order" shall mean an Order of the Bankruptcy Court or other applicable court (a) that is not the subject of a pending appeal, petition for certiorari, motion for reconsideration or leave to appeal or other proceeding for review, rehearing or reargument, (b) that has not been reversed, vacated, modified or amended, is not stayed and remains in full force and effect, and (c) with respect to which the time to appeal, to petition for certiorari, to move for reconsideration or to seek review, rehearing or reargument shall have expired, as a result of which such order shall have become final in accordance with Rule 8002 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure or other applicable Laws, as applicable.

"GAAP" shall mean United States generally accepted accounting principles.

"Government Official" shall mean any officer or employee of a Governmental Entity or any department, agency, or instrumentality thereof, or of a public international organization, or any person acting in an official capacity for or on behalf of any such Governmental Entity or department, agency, or instrumentality, or for or on behalf of any such public international

organization, or any political party, party official, or candidate thereof, excluding officials related to the government of the United States.

"Governmental Entity" shall mean any (i) federal, state, provincial, local, municipal, foreign or other government, (ii) governmental or quasi-governmental authority of any nature (including any governmental agency, branch, department, official, or entity and any court, arbitrator or other tribunal) or (iii) body exercising, or entitled to exercise, any administrative, executive, judicial, legislative, police, regulatory, or taxing authority or power of any nature, including any arbitral tribunal.

"<u>Hired Employees</u>" shall mean, collectively, the Business Employees who accept an offer of employment with Buyer, the PEO or one of Buyer's Affiliates in accordance with the provisions of <u>Section 6.6</u> hereof at or prior to the Closing and who actually commence employment with Buyer, the PEO or one of Buyer's Affiliates following the Closing.

"HSR Act" shall mean the Hart-Scott Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, as amended.

"Income Taxes" means Taxes imposed on, or measured by, income or profits, including franchise taxes imposed in lieu of income tax.

"Intellectual Property" shall mean all intellectual property, whether protected, created or arising under the Laws of the United States or any other jurisdiction, including all: (i) patents and patent applications, all continuations, divisionals, and continuations-in-part of any of the foregoing, all patents issuing on any of the foregoing, and all reissues, renewals, substitutions, reexaminations and extensions of any of the foregoing (collectively, "Patents"); (ii) trademarks, service marks, trade names, service names, brand names, corporate names, trade dress rights, logos, trade styles, and other source or business identifiers and general intangibles of a like nature, together with the goodwill associated with any of the foregoing, and all applications, registrations, renewals and extensions of any of the foregoing (collectively, "Marks"); (iii) internet domain names; (iv) copyrights, works of authorship, and all mask work, database and design rights, whether or not registered or published, all applications, registrations, reversions, extensions and renewals of any of the foregoing, and all moral rights, however denominated (collectively, "Copyrights"); (v) trade secrets and other confidential or proprietary information (collectively, "Trade Secrets"); and (vi) Technology.

"Interim DIP Order" shall mean an Order of the Bankruptcy Court (as the same may be amended, supplemented, or modified from time to time after entry thereof in accordance with the terms thereof), in form and substance acceptable to the DIP Agent and DIP Lenders in their sole discretion, authorizing on an interim basis, among other things, the DIP Documents and the DIP Facility.

"<u>IT Systems</u>" shall mean all information technology, computers, computer systems and communications systems owned, operated, leased or licensed by any Seller.

"Knowledge of the Sellers" shall mean, as to a particular matter, the actual knowledge of Grant Lyon, Eric Glover, Michael Carrano, and/or Maarten Terry.

"Labor Laws" shall mean, collectively, to the extent applicable to any Seller, any federal, national, state, and foreign Laws governing labor and/or employment and employment-related matters, including all such Laws relating to wages, employee classification, other compensation and benefits (including but not limited to any applicable federal, state or local laws concerning COVID-19 related paid sick leave or other benefits), family and medical leave and other leaves of absence, the provision of meal and rest periods/breaks, hours, vacation, severance, restrictive covenants, background checks and screening, immigration, WARN Act and any similar federal, state, provincial or local "mass layoff" or "plant closing" Law, collective bargaining, discrimination, harassment, retaliation, civil rights, safety and health (including but not limited to the federal Occupational Safety and Health Act and any applicable state or local laws concerning COVID-19-related health and safety issues), and workers' compensation.

"<u>Law</u>" shall mean any federal, state, provincial, local or foreign statute, law, ordinance, regulation, rule, code, order, treaty, administrative interpretation, guideline, principle of common law or equity, judgment enacted, promulgated, issued, enforced or entered by any Governmental Entity.

"<u>Leased Real Property</u>" shall mean each parcel of real property leased by a Seller as tenant, lessee or sublessee and used in or necessary for the conduct of the Business as currently conducted, together with all rights, title and interest of each such Seller in and to leasehold improvements relating thereto.

"<u>Leases</u>" shall mean all leases, subleases, licenses, concessions and other agreements pursuant to which a Seller holds any Leased Real Property.

"Lenders" shall mean, collectively, the Prepetition Lenders and the DIP Lenders.

"<u>Liabilities</u>" shall mean, as to any Person, all debts, adverse claims, liabilities, commitments, responsibilities, and obligations of any kind or nature whatsoever, direct, indirect, asserted or unasserted, absolute or contingent, of such Person, whether accrued, vested or otherwise, whether known or unknown, and whether or not actually reflected, or required to be reflected, in such Person's balance sheets or other books and records, including any liability for Taxes.

"<u>Licensed Intellectual Property</u>" shall mean all Intellectual Property that any Person other than the Sellers owns and that is used, held for use or practiced in connection with the Business.

"<u>Lien</u>" shall mean any claim, pledge, option, charge, hypothecation, easement, security interest, right-of-way, encroachment, mortgage, statutory or deemed trust, and deed of trust or other encumbrance.

"Marks" shall have the meaning set forth in the definition of Intellectual Property.

"Material Adverse Effect" shall mean any event, change, occurrence, circumstance, development, condition, fact or effect, which, when considered either individually or in the aggregate together with other events, changes, occurrences, circumstances, developments, conditions, facts or effects, is or would reasonably be expected to be materially adverse to (i) the Business or the properties, assets, condition (financial or otherwise), results or operations of the

Business or the Purchased Assets, or (ii) any Seller's ability to consummate the Transactions, other than with respect to clause (i) hereof any event, change, occurrence, circumstance, development, condition or change of fact, arising out of, resulting from or attributable to (A) general economic conditions affecting the United States or those countries within which the Business operates or the industries in which the Business operates, (B) a change in GAAP or regulatory accounting principles or interpretations thereof after the date hereof, or a change in applicable Law by any Governmental Entity after the date hereof, (C) any act of war or terrorism (or, in each case, escalation thereof), cyberattack or declaration of a national emergency, (D) any pandemic or epidemic, (E) financial, banking or securities markets (including (w) any disruption of any of the foregoing markets, (x) any change in currency exchange rates, (y) any decline or rise in the price of any security, commodity, Contract or index, and (z) any increased cost, or decreased availability, of capital or pricing or terms related to any financing for the Transactions), (F) any act or omission by any Seller or any of their respective Affiliates required to be taken pursuant to the terms of the Final DIP Order, (G) any change in the market price, credit rating or trading volume of Borrower's stock or other securities or any change affecting the ratings or the ratings outlook for Borrower, (H) the negotiation, announcement, or pendency of this Agreement or the Transactions, (I) any failure, in and of itself, to achieve any budgets, projections, forecasts, estimates, plans, predictions, performance metrics or operating statistics or the inputs into such items (whether or not shared with Buyer or its Affiliates or Representatives), (J) any action taken by Buyer or its Affiliates with respect to the Transactions or the financing thereof or any breach by Buyer of this Agreement, or (K) (x) the commencement or pendency of the Cases, (y) any objections in the Bankruptcy Court to (1) this Agreement or any of the Transactions, (2) the Sale Order or the Bidding Procedures Order or any actions or omissions of the Sellers or their Affiliates in compliance therewith, (3) the reorganization or liquidation of the Sellers or their Affiliates, or (4) the assumption or rejection of any Available Contract, or (z) any Order of the Bankruptcy Court or any actions or omissions of Sellers or their Affiliates in compliance therewith, except in each case covered by clauses (A) through (E) or (G) to the extent such event, change, occurrence, circumstance, development, condition or change of fact disproportionately and adversely affects the Sellers, taken as a whole, as compared to other companies in a business similarly situated to that of the Business.

"Material Customers" mean the top ten clients of Sellers in respect of aggregate revenue received therefrom in fiscal year 2023.

"<u>Material Vendors</u>" mean the top ten vendors or suppliers of Sellers in respect of aggregate expenditures of Sellers for the 2023 fiscal year, up to October 5, 2023.

"Non-Recourse Persons" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 10.17.

"Notices" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 10.6.

"OFAC" shall mean The Office of Foreign Assets Control of the U.S. Department of the Treasury.

"Open Source Software" shall mean any Software that is subject to, or licensed, provided or distributed under, any license meeting the Open Source Definition (as promulgated by the Open Source Initiative as of the date of this Agreement) or the Free Software Definition (as promulgated

by the Free Software Foundation as of the date of this Agreement) or any similar license for "free," "publicly available" or "open source" Software, including the GNU General Public License, the Lesser GNU General Public License, the Apache License, the BSD License, Mozilla Public License (MPL), the MIT License or any other license that includes similar terms.

"Order" shall mean any judgment, order, injunction, writ, ruling, verdict, decree, stipulation, award or other binding obligation, pronouncement or determination of any Governmental Entity or arbitration tribunal.

"Ordinary Course of Business" shall mean the conduct and operation of the Business, taken as a whole, in the ordinary course, consistent with past practice, and in accordance with applicable Law.

"Organizational Documents" shall mean, with respect to any Person (other than a natural Person), (i) the certificate or articles of incorporation, formation or organization and any limited liability company, operating or partnership agreement, or similar organizational document adopted or filed in connection with the creation, formation or organization of such Person and (ii) all bylaws and equity holders agreements or similar arrangements to which such Person (or holders of its Equity Interests) is a party relating to the organization or governance of such Person, in each case, as amended or supplemented.

"Outside Date" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.1(b)(ii).

"Owned Intellectual Property" shall mean all Intellectual Property owned or purported to be owned by any Seller.

"Party" or "Parties" shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble.

"PEO" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6.6(a).

"<u>Permits</u>" shall mean all licenses, certificates, consents, permits, registrations, quotas, and other authorizations of any Governmental Entity relating to the Purchased Assets or used by the Sellers in connection with the Business, and all pending applications therefor.

"Permitted Liens" shall mean (i) Liens for Taxes, assessments or other governmental charges not yet due and payable or the amount or validity of which is being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings or the nonpayment of which is permitted or required by the Bankruptcy Code, (ii) zoning, entitlement and other land use and environmental regulations by any Governmental Entity having jurisdiction over any Real Property which are not violated by the current use, occupancy or operation of any Real Property, (iii) non-exclusive licenses of Intellectual Property, (iv) easements, rights of way, restrictive covenants, encroachments, and similar non-monetary encumbrances or non-monetary impediments against any of the Purchased Assets which do not, individually or in the aggregate, adversely affect the operation of the Purchased Assets and, in the case of the Leased Real Property, which do not, individually or in the aggregate, adversely affect the use or occupancy of such Leased Real Property as it relates to the operation of the Purchased Assets, (v) materialmans', mechanics', artisans', shippers', warehousemans' or other similar common law or statutory liens incurred in the Ordinary Course of Business for amounts not yet due and payable, (vi) licenses granted on a non-exclusive basis in

the Ordinary Course of Business, (vii) Liens securing the DIP Facility and any other Liens not prohibited by the DIP Documents and (viii) such other defects, exceptions, restrictions, imperfections in title, charges, easements, restrictions and encumbrances (other than in connection with the DIP Facility) which would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to materially detract from the property and/or the use of the property for its intended purpose in the Ordinary Course of Business.

"Person" shall mean an individual, partnership, joint venture, corporation, business trust, limited liability company, trust, unincorporated organization, association, joint stock company, estate, Governmental Entity or other entity.

"<u>Personal Information</u>" shall mean (a) "personal data" or "personally identifiable information" or "PII" provided by applicable Law or by the Sellers; or (b) information that identifies, could be used to identify, or is otherwise associated with an identifiable individual.

"Personal Property Leases" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.18.

"<u>Petition Date</u>" shall mean the date on which the Sellers file voluntary petitions for relief under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code.

"Plan" shall mean a plan of reorganization or liquidation for the Debtors pursuant to sections 1125, 1126 and 1145 of the Bankruptcy Code (as applicable), to be implemented in the Cases.

"Post-Closing Tax Period" shall mean all taxable years or other taxable periods that end after the Closing Date and, with respect to any taxable year or other taxable period beginning on or before and ending after the Closing Date, the portion of such taxable year or period beginning after the Closing Date.

"Post-Petition Payables" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.3(d).

"<u>Pre-Closing Tax Period</u>" shall mean all taxable years or other taxable periods that end on or before the Closing Date and, with respect to any taxable year or other taxable period beginning on or before and ending after the Closing Date, the portion of such taxable year or period ending on and including the Closing Date.

"Prepetition Financing Agreement" shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"Prepetition Lenders" shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"<u>Prepetition Loan Documents</u>" shall mean the Prepetition Financing Agreement and the other Loan Documents (as defined therein).

"Previously Omitted Contract" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.5(k)(i).

"Previously Omitted Contract Notice" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.5(k)(ii).

"<u>Privacy Laws</u>" shall mean any and all applicable Laws relating to the receipt, collection, compilation, use, storage, processing, sharing, safeguarding, security (technical, physical or administrative), disposal, destruction, disclosure or transfer (including cross-border) of any Personal Information.

"Proceeding" shall mean any action, claim, complaint, arbitration, governmental investigation, prosecution, order, litigation, proceeding, or suit (whether civil, criminal, administrative, investigative, appellate, or informal) of any kind whatsoever, regardless of the legal theory under which such Liability or obligation may be sought to be imposed, whether sounding in Contract or tort, or whether at law or in equity, or otherwise under any legal or equitable theory, commenced, brought, conducted, or heard by or before, or otherwise involving, any Governmental Entity or arbitrator.

"<u>Professional Fees and Expenses</u>" shall mean the reasonable and documented fees and expenses of professionals of Sellers and any committee appointed in the Cases pursuant to section 1102 of the Bankruptcy Code that are accrued and unpaid as of the Closing Date, whether or not included in a fee statement or fee application at such time and whether or not allowed by the Bankruptcy Court at such time.

"Purchase Price" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.2.

"<u>Purchased Assets</u>" shall mean all right, title and interest of each of the Sellers, as of the Closing, in, to and under all of the assets, properties, interests, rights and claims of the Sellers as of the Closing (whether owned, leased, licensed, used or held for use by the Sellers), wherever situated and of whatever kind and nature, real or personal, tangible or intangible, and whether or not reflected on the books and records of the Sellers, including the assets, properties, rights and claims as of the Closing described in <u>Section 2.1</u>, other than the Excluded Assets.

"Related Party" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.23(a).

"Related Party Transactions" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.23(a).

"Representative" shall mean, with respect to any Person, such Person's officers, managers, directors, employees, agents and representatives (including any investment banker, financial advisor, accountant, legal counsel or expert retained by or acting on behalf of such Person or its Affiliates).

"Sale Order" shall mean, collectively, the Order or Orders which shall be in a form and substance acceptable to Buyer and Sellers in their sole discretion and which shall, among other things: (i) approve, pursuant to sections 105, 363 and 365 of the Bankruptcy Code (A) the execution, delivery and performance by the Sellers of this Agreement, including each and every term and condition hereof, and the other instruments and agreements contemplated hereby, (B) the sale of the applicable Purchased Assets of the Sellers to Buyer free and clear of all Liens and Liabilities (other than Permitted Liens and Assumed Liabilities), on the terms set forth herein, (C) the assumption of the Assumed Liabilities of the Sellers by Buyer on the terms set forth herein and (D) effective as of the Closing, the release of Sellers from amounts due and owing under (x) the Prepetition Loan Documents and (y) the DIP Documents up to an amount equal to the Credit Bid Amount; (ii) authorize the Sellers to assume and assign to Buyer the Assumed Contracts; (iii) find

that Buyer has provided adequate assurance of future performance with respect to the Assumed Contracts to which any Seller is a party; (iv) find that Buyer is a "good faith" buyer within the meaning of section 363(m) of the Bankruptcy Code; (v) provide that neither Buyer nor any of its Affiliates or equityholders will have any derivative, successor, transferee or vicarious liability of any kind or character, whether fixed or contingent, for Liabilities of the Sellers (whether under federal or state Law or otherwise), including on account of any Taxes arising, accruing, or payable under, out of, in connection with, or in any way relating to the operation of the Business prior to the Closing (except for such Taxes that constitute Assumed Liabilities); (vi) waive in all necessary jurisdictions, (A) the so-called "bulk sales," "bulk transfer" and similar Laws, including those related to Taxes and (B) the imposition of any Taxes incurred in connection with the Transactions and the Sale Order; (vii) enjoin all Persons from commencing any proceeding or taking any action against Buyer or any of its Affiliates to recover any claim that such Person has solely against the Sellers or their Affiliates; and (viii) provide that the obligations of the Sellers relating to Taxes, whether arising under Law, by this Agreement, or otherwise, shall be fulfilled by the Sellers (except as specifically set forth in the Agreement).

"Sanctioned Entity" shall mean (i) a country or a government of a country, (ii) an agency of the government of a country, (iii) an organization directly or indirectly controlled by a country or its government, or (iv) a Person resident in or determined to be resident in a country, in each case of clauses (i) through (iv), that is a target of Sanctions, including a target of any country sanctions program administered and enforced by OFAC.

"Sanctioned Person" shall mean, at any time (i) any Person named on the list of Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons maintained by OFAC, OFAC's consolidated Non SDN list or any other Sanctions related list maintained by any Governmental Entity, (ii) a Person that is a target of Sanctions, (iii) any Person operating, organized or resident in a Sanctioned Entity, or (iv) any Person directly or indirectly owned or controlled (individually or in the aggregate) by or acting on behalf of any such Person or Persons described in clauses (i) through (iii) above.

"Sanctions" shall mean any and all economic sanctions, trade sanctions, financial sanctions, sectoral sanctions, secondary sanctions, trade embargoes, anti-terrorism Laws and other sanctions, Laws, regulations or embargoes, including those imposed, administered or enforced from time to time by: (i) the United States of America, including those administered by OFAC, the U.S. Department of State, the U.S. Department of Commerce, or through any existing or future executive order, (ii) the United Nations Security Council, (iii) the European Union or any European Union member state, (iv) Her Majesty's Treasury of the United Kingdom, or (v) any other Governmental Entity with jurisdiction over any Seller or its Affiliates.

"Seller Registered Intellectual Property" shall mean all issued Patents, pending Patent applications, Mark registrations, applications for Mark registration, Copyright registrations, applications for Copyright registration and internet domain names, in each case, included in the Owned Intellectual Property.

"Seller Software" shall mean all Software owned or purported to be owned by any Seller.

"Sellers" shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble.

"Sellers' Disclosure Schedules" shall mean the disclosure schedules delivered by the Sellers to Buyer concurrently with the execution and delivery of this Agreement on the Agreement Date.

"Software" shall mean, collectively, any and all (i) computer programs, including any and all software implementations of algorithms, models and methodologies, whether in source code or object code, (ii) databases and compilations, including any and all collections of data, whether machine readable or otherwise, and (iii) all documentation including user manuals and other training documentation related to any of the foregoing.

"Tax" or "Taxes" shall mean (i) all U.S. federal, state, local, foreign and other taxes, assessments, duties or charges of any kind whatsoever, including, income, profits, gains, net worth, sales and use, *ad valorem*, gross receipts, sales, use, business and occupation, license, premium, minimum, alternative or add-on minimum, environmental, estimated, stamp, customs duties, occupation, property (real or personal), franchise, capital stock, license, excise, value added, payroll, employment, social security (or similar), escheat or unclaimed property, unemployment, transfer, severance, registration, lease, service, recording, documentary, permit or authorization, intangibles or other tax (whether payable directly or by withholding), together with any penalty, fine, addition to tax or interest on the foregoing; (ii) any liability in respect of any items described in clause (i) payable by reason of contract, assumption, transferee or successor liability, operation of Law, Treasury Regulations Section 1.1502-6(a) or any analogous or similar provision of any state, local or non-U.S. Law (or any predecessor or successor thereof) or otherwise; and (iii) any Liability in respect of any items described in clause (i) as a result of being a "transferee" of the taxpayer or entity or a number of a related, non-arm's length, affiliated or combined group.

"<u>Tax Return</u>" shall mean any return, declaration, report, claim for refund, or information return or statement (including elections, declarations, disclaimers, notices, disclosures, schedules, estimates) relating to Taxes, including any schedule or attachment thereto, and including any amendment or supplement thereof.

"Technology" shall mean all technology, formulae, algorithms, procedures, processes, methods, techniques, ideas, know-how, creations, inventions (whether patentable or unpatentable and whether or not reduced to practice), discoveries, improvements; product, servicing, business, financial and supplier information and materials; specifications, designs, models, devices, prototypes, schematics and development tools, Software, websites, recordings, graphs, drawings, reports, analyses and other writings and other tangible embodiments of any of the foregoing, in any form or media whether or not specifically listed in this definition.

"Third Party Consents" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6.7(b).

"Trade Secrets" shall have the meaning set forth in the definition of Intellectual Property.

"Transaction Dispute" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 10.10.

"<u>Transactions</u>" shall mean the sale of the Purchased Assets pursuant to this Agreement and the other transactions contemplated by this Agreement.

"Transfer Tax" or "Transfer Taxes" shall mean any stamp, sales, use, transfer, conveyance, recording, registration, filing or other similar non-Income Tax, fee, duty or charge imposed upon the sale, transfer or assignment of property or any interest therein or the recording thereof, and any penalty, addition to Tax or interest with respect thereto.

"<u>Treasury Regulations</u>" shall mean the regulations promulgated under the Code, as such regulations may be amended from time to time.

"<u>U.S. Patriot Act</u>" shall mean Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism (USA Patriot Act of 2001).

"WARN Act" shall mean the Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification Act of 1988, as amended, and any successor Law, and the rules and regulations thereunder and under any successor Law, and any comparable Law under the Laws of any state.

"<u>Wind-Down Amount</u>" shall have the meaning given to it in the definition of "Excluded Cash".

"Wind-Down Budget" shall have the meaning given to it in the definition of "Excluded Cash".

1.2 Other Definitional Provisions.

- (a) The words "hereof," "herein" and "hereunder" and words of similar import when used in this Agreement shall refer to this Agreement as a whole and not to any particular provision of this Agreement, and Section, Schedule and Exhibit references are to this Agreement unless otherwise specified.
- (b) All Exhibits and Schedules annexed hereto or referred to herein are hereby incorporated in and made a part of this Agreement as if set forth in full herein. Any capitalized terms used in any Schedule or Exhibit but not otherwise defined therein shall be defined as set forth in this Agreement.
- (c) The meanings given to terms defined herein shall be equally applicable to both singular and plural forms of such terms.
- (d) Whenever the words "include," "includes" or "including" are used in this Agreement they shall be deemed to be followed by the words "without limitation." Where the context permits, the use of the term "or" will be equivalent to the use of the term "and/or."
- (e) Words denoting any gender shall include all genders. Where a word or phrase is defined herein, each of its other grammatical forms shall have a corresponding meaning.
- (f) A reference to any Party shall include such Party's successors and permitted assigns.
- (g) The word "extent" in the phrase "to the extent" means the degree to which a subject or other thing extends, and such phrase does not mean simply "if".

- (h) References herein to any Law shall be deemed to refer to such Law as amended, modified, codified, reenacted, replaced, supplemented or superseded in whole or in part and in effect from time to time, including any successor legislation thereto, and also to all rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, and references to any section or other provision of a Law means that section or provision of such Law in effect from time to time and constituting the substantive amendment, modification, codification, reenactment, replacement or supplement of such section or other provision; <u>provided</u> that for purposes of any representation or warranty set forth herein, with respect to any violation of or non-compliance with, or alleged violation of or non-compliance, with any Law, the reference to such Law means such as in effect at the time of such violation or non-compliance or alleged violation or non-compliance.
- (i) All references to "\$" and dollars shall be deemed to refer to the currency of the United States of America.
- (j) The provision of a table of contents, the division into Articles, Sections and other subdivisions and the insertion of headings are for convenience of reference only and shall not affect or be utilized in construing or interpreting this Agreement. References to the terms "Article," "Section," "clause," "Schedule" and "Exhibit" are references to the Articles, Sections, clauses, Schedules and Exhibits to this Agreement unless otherwise specified.
- (k) References to "days" means calendar days unless Business Days are expressly specified. When calculating the period of time before which, within which or following which any act is to be done or step taken pursuant to this Agreement, the date that is the reference date in calculating such period will be excluded. If the last day of such period is a day other than a Business Day, the period in question will end on the next succeeding Business Day.
- (l) References to "written" or "in writing" include in electronic form (including by e-mail transmission or electronic communication by portable document format (.pdf)).
- (m) The word "will" will be construed to have the same meaning and effect as the word "shall". The words "shall," "will," or "agree(s)" are mandatory, and "may" is permissive.
- (n) Any document or item will be deemed "delivered," "provided" or "made available" by the Sellers, within the meaning of this Agreement if such document or item is (a) actually delivered or provided to Buyer or any of Buyer's Representatives, (b) made available upon request, including at the Sellers' or any of their Subsidiaries' offices or (c) publicly filed with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission.
- (o) Any reference to any agreement or Contract will be a reference to such agreement or Contract, as amended, modified, supplemented or waived.

ARTICLE II TRANSFER OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

2.1 <u>Purchased Assets</u>. At the Closing, and upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth herein and in the Sale Order and, with respect to the Sellers, subject to the approval of the Bankruptcy Court pursuant to sections 105, 363 and 365 of the Bankruptcy Code, the Sellers shall sell, convey, assign, transfer and deliver to Buyer, and Buyer shall purchase, acquire and accept

from the Sellers, all of the right, title and interest of each of the Sellers as of the Closing, free and clear of all Liens (other than Permitted Liens), in, to and under, all of the Purchased Assets. The Purchased Assets shall include Sellers' rights, titles and interests in, to and under each of the following of the Sellers as of the Closing:

- (a) other than the Excluded Cash, (i) all cash, money orders, third-party checks, wire transfers and any other funds of the Sellers, commercial paper, marketable securities, demand deposits, reserves for Taxes, certificates of deposit and other bank deposits, deposits of any Seller with any third-party (including any vendor, manufacturer, customer, utility or landlord or other cash deposits for rent, electricity, telephone or otherwise), treasury bills, and other cash equivalents and liquid investments and (ii) the Acquired Bank Accounts;
- (b) all deposits, credits, and prepaid charges and expenses from whatever source paid;
 - (c) all accounts receivable;
- (d) subject to Section 10.23, all Avoidance Actions and all of the rights, claims or causes of action of the Sellers of any kind, including those available under the Bankruptcy Code, against any officer, director, employee, manager or Affiliate of, or lender to, any Seller or any of their respective Affiliates (and the proceeds of any insurance policies related to any such rights, claims or causes of action) arising at any time prior to the Closing;
- (e) all Claims that the Sellers may have against any Person (including Governmental Entities) for refund or credit, rebate, abatement, deposit, prepayment, or other recovery of any type, together with any refund of interest due thereon or penalty rebate arising therefrom, in each case solely with respect to Taxes accrued with respect to periods ending on or prior to the Closing Date;
- (f) the Sellers' directors and officers liability insurance policies, if any, and all rights and benefits of any nature of Sellers with respect thereto, including all insurance recoveries thereunder and rights to assert claims with respect to any such insurance recoveries;
 - (g) all Equity Interests of CMS;
 - (h) all royalties, advances, prepaid assets, and other current assets;
- (i) all machinery, furniture, fixtures, furnishings, equipment, and other tangible personal property owned, leased or otherwise used or held for use by the Sellers in the conduct of the Business, including all computers, computer equipment, artwork, desks, chairs, tables, hardware, copiers, telephone lines and numbers, facsimile machines and other telecommunication equipment, cubicles and miscellaneous office furnishings and supplies;
- (j) all rights of any Seller under or pursuant to all warranties, representations and guarantees, including those made by suppliers, manufacturers and contractors or any other third party to and for the benefit of any Seller;

- (k) all current and prior insurance policies, to the extent transferable, and all rights and benefits of any nature of Sellers with respect thereto, including all insurance recoveries or proceeds thereunder and rights to assert claims with respect to any such insurance recoveries or proceeds;
- (l) all Permits, including those listed on <u>Schedule 2.1(l)</u>, to the extent transferable or assignable under Law;
 - (m) all Assumed Contracts;
 - (n) all Documents (other than Excluded Documents);
- (o) all Owned Intellectual Property and all of Sellers' rights to institute and pursue Proceedings against third parties for past, present and future infringement, misappropriation or dilution of any of the foregoing, or other conflict therewith, and all of the Sellers' rights to recover damages or lost profits in connection with any of the foregoing;
- (p) all rights under non-disclosure or confidentiality, non-compete or non-solicitation agreements with current or former employees and non-employee agents of any Seller or with third parties (including any non-disclosure or confidentiality, non-compete, or non-solicitation agreement entered into in connection with the Auction);
- (q) any loans owed to any Seller by any current or former employee, officer or director of any Seller;
- (r) all Claims, other than the Claims set forth on Schedule 2.1(r), that the Sellers may have against any Person, including (i) all other rights, claims, causes of action, rights of recovery, rights of set-off, and rights of recoupment as of the Closing of any Seller, in each case, arising out of or relating to events occurring on or prior to the Closing Date (and any proceeds paid from all current and prior insurance policies), and (ii) all claims that any Seller may have against any Person with respect to any other Purchased Assets or any Assumed Liabilities;
- (s) all other assets or rights of every kind and description of Sellers as of the Closing related to the Business, wherever located, whether real, personal or mixed, tangible or intangible that are not Excluded Assets;
- (t) the sponsorship of all Assumed Benefit Plans and all right, title and interest in any asset thereof or relating thereto;
 - (u) all goodwill related to the foregoing;
- 2.2 <u>Excluded Assets</u>. Notwithstanding anything herein contained to the contrary, from and after the Closing, each Seller shall retain, and Buyer shall not purchase, such Seller's right, title and interest in and to (and the Purchased Assets shall not include any of) the following assets and properties of the Sellers (collectively, the "<u>Excluded Assets</u>"), all of which shall remain the exclusive property of the Sellers:

- (a) any Contract other than (i) any Assumed Contract or (ii) any Contract otherwise included as a Purchased Asset under Section 2.1(e), Section 2.1(j) or Section 2.1(m) (collectively, the "Excluded Contracts");
- (b) any Contract or arrangement (including any loan or similar arrangement) with or binding upon any of the Sellers and any Related Party (other than any Contract or arrangement with or binding upon CMS);
 - (c) any intercompany accounts receivable owed between or among the Sellers;
- (d) the sponsorship and assets of all Benefit Plans that are not Assumed Benefit Plans and all right, title and interest in any asset thereof or relating thereto;
- (e) all rights of the Sellers under this Agreement and the agreements and instruments delivered to the Sellers by Buyer pursuant to this Agreement;
- Excluded Liabilities (including information stored on the computer systems, data networks or servers of any Seller); (ii) that are minute books, organizational documents, stock registers and such other books and records of any Seller as pertaining to ownership, organization or existence of such Seller, Tax Returns (and any related work papers), corporate seal, checkbooks, and canceled checks; [(iii) that are subject to the attorney work-product doctrine, the attorney-client privilege or similar protections or privileges]; (iv) that any Seller is required by Law to retain; or (v) that are governed under GDPR or collected from natural persons with addresses in the European Union or European Economic Area; provided that, to the extent not prohibited by applicable Law, Buyer shall have the right to make copies of any portions or all of such Documents (collectively, the "Excluded Documents");
 - (g) all Equity Interests of the Sellers;
- (h) all assets owned or used by the Sellers that are specifically identified in Schedule 2.2(h);
- (i) all assets of the Sellers that would otherwise constitute a Purchased Asset (if owned immediately prior to the Closing) if conveyed or otherwise disposed of during the period from the date hereof until the Closing Date (i) at the direction of the Bankruptcy Court, (ii) as not prohibited by the terms of the DIP Documents, or (iii) in the Ordinary Course of Business;
- (j) all Permits other than those set forth on <u>Schedule 2.1(1)</u> and those Permits that are not transferable;
 - (k) all rights related to the matters set forth on <u>Schedule 2.1(r)</u>;
 - (1) the Excluded Cash; and
- (m) Subject to Section 10.22 and Paragraph 47 of the Final DIP Order, all rights of any Seller related to the Escrow Account and the Escrow Funds.

- 2.3 <u>Assumed Liabilities</u>. Upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in this Agreement and the Sale Order, and subject to the exclusions set forth in <u>Section 2.4</u> (and in the event of any conflict between the exclusions set forth in <u>Section 2.4</u> and the provisions of this <u>Section 2.3</u>, the exclusions set forth in <u>Section 2.4</u> shall prevail), as partial consideration for the Purchased Assets, Buyer shall, on and after the Closing, assume only the following Liabilities of the Sellers (the "<u>Assumed Liabilities</u>"):
- (a) all Liabilities under the Assumed Contracts to the extent that any such Liabilities under such Assumed Contracts: (i) arise out of or relate to events, occurrences, acts or omissions occurring solely after the Closing Date; (ii) do not arise from a breach, violation or default of such Assumed Contract by any Seller prior to the Closing; and (iii) are not required to be performed prior to the Closing;
- (b) all Liabilities relating to Buyer's ownership or operation of the Purchased Assets to the extent arising out of or relating to events, occurrences, acts or omissions occurring solely after the Closing Date;
 - (c) all Cure Amounts;
- (d) all accrued and unpaid Administrative Expenses incurred by Sellers prior to the Closing Date (other than Professional Fees and Expenses) and listed on <u>Schedule 2.3(d)</u>, not to exceed the amounts set forth in the Budget (the "<u>Post-Petition Payables</u>");
- (e) all Liabilities in respect of wages and other compensation of Business Employees for the last pay period immediately preceding the Closing Date;
- (f) all Liabilities relating to Hired Employees accruing on or after the close of business on the Closing Date, solely to the extent arising out of or relating to the Hired Employees' employment by Buyer, the PEO or Buyer's Affiliates;
 - (g) all Liabilities relating to any Assumed Benefit Plan; and
 - (h) all Liabilities for Transfer Taxes pursuant to Section 6.10(a).
- 2.4 <u>Excluded Liabilities</u>. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth herein, Buyer shall not assume, and shall not be deemed to have assumed, and the Sellers shall be solely and exclusively liable with respect to, all Liabilities of any Seller or any of their respective predecessors other than the Assumed Liabilities (collectively, the "<u>Excluded Liabilities</u>"). For the avoidance of doubt, and without limiting the foregoing, Buyer shall not be obligated to assume, nor assumes, and Buyer hereby disclaims, all of the Excluded Liabilities, including all of the following Liabilities of any Seller (or any of their respective predecessors) (each of which shall constitute an Excluded Liability hereunder):
- (a) any Liability for (i) Taxes of any Seller for any taxable period and (ii) Taxes relating to the operation of the Business or the ownership of the Purchased Assets for any Pre-Closing Tax Period;

- (b) any Claim in connection with or arising from or relating to any Excluded Asset, including any Taxes associated therewith;
- (c) any fees, costs and expenses (including legal fees and accounting fees) incurred by any Seller in connection with the Cases or the Transactions, including all fees, costs and expenses incurred in connection with or by virtue of (i) the negotiation, preparation and review of this Agreement and all agreements ancillary or related hereto, (ii) the preparation and submission of any filing or notice required to be made or given in connection with the Transactions, and the obtaining of any consent required to be obtained in connection with the Transactions, (iii) the negotiation, preparing and review of the DIP Documents and (iv) any Alternate Transaction;
 - (d) any Liabilities arising under or pursuant to Labor Laws;
- (e) any Liabilities relating to the Hired Employees arising prior to the Closing Date (other than those expressly assumed by Buyer in Section 2.3 or Section 6.6(b)), and any Liabilities relating to all other current or former employees, directors, consultants and other individual service providers of the Sellers who are not Hired Employees arising at any time (other than those expressly assumed by Buyer in Section 2.3 or Section 6.6(b)), in each case, including any severance, termination or payment in lieu of notice Liability, and any other Liability arising under or out of any Law or Contract in connection with such Person's employment, service or Contract with, or the termination of such Person's employment, service or Contract with, any Seller;
- (f) any Liabilities of the Sellers and their respective ERISA Affiliates with respect to any Benefit Plan or other compensation or benefit plan, program, policy, agreement or arrangement of the Sellers, other than with respect to any Assumed Benefit Plan, including any health, welfare, retirement, 401(k), pension or profit sharing Liability, deferred compensation Liability, equity or equity-based incentive compensation Liability, any Liability under any employment agreements or offer letters, or any penalties, fines or other expenses resulting from any compliance issue with any Benefit Plan or Law, other than those Liabilities expressly assumed pursuant to Section 2.3(e) and Section 2.3(f);
- (g) other than Liabilities expressly assumed pursuant to <u>Section 2.3(f)</u>, any success, retention, stay, change of control or similar bonuses and any other payments or benefits owing to current or former employees, independent contractors or consultants of the Sellers in connection with the consummation of the Transactions, including the employer portion of any payroll, social security or similar Taxes in respect thereof;
- (h) any Liability of any Seller arising out of this Agreement or any agreement ancillary or related hereto;
- (i) any Liabilities arising out of or relating to the Business, the Purchased Assets or the ownership, operation or conduct thereof prior to the Closing;
- (j) any Liabilities for accrued expenses and accounts payable of the Sellers, other than the Post-Petition Payables;

- (k) any Liabilities of the Sellers arising as a result of any Proceeding, whether initiated prior to or following the Closing, to the extent related to the Business or the Purchased Assets, including any actions for breach of contract, violations of or non-compliance with Law (including Sanctions, Anti-Corruption Laws and Anti-Money Laundering Laws), or any tort actions related to periods prior to the Closing;
- (l) any Liabilities arising as a result of any Contract or arrangement (including any loan or similar arrangement) with or binding upon any of the Sellers and any Related Party (other than those Liabilities expressly assumed pursuant to <u>Section 2.3(a)</u>) and all intercompany payables owed from one Seller to any other Seller;
- (m) any Liabilities of Sellers (i) existing prior to the filing of the Cases that are subject to compromise under the Bankruptcy Code or other applicable Law and (ii) to the extent not otherwise expressly assumed herein, incurred subsequent to the filing of the Cases and prior to the Closing; provided that in the event of any conflict between the terms of Section 2.3 and this Section 2.4, the terms of Section 2.3 will control; and
 - (n) any Liabilities arising out of Professional Fees and Expenses.

2.5 <u>Assumption and Assignment of Assumed Contracts.</u>

Schedule 2.5(a) sets forth a list of the executory Contracts to which one or more Sellers is a party, together with estimated Cure Amounts for each Assumed Contract (the "Available Contracts"), which Schedule 2.5(a) may be updated to add Contracts entered into in the Ordinary Course of Business or otherwise not prohibited by this Agreement following the date hereof. By the date that is four (4) Business Days prior to the Closing (such date, the "Determination Deadline"), Buyer shall designate in writing (each such writing, a "Designation Notice") which Available Contracts from Schedule 2.5(a) that Buyer wishes for Sellers to assume and assign to Buyer at the Closing (the "Assumed Contracts"). Buyer shall have the right to amend a Designation Notice in any respect at any time prior to the Determination Deadline. All Contracts of the Sellers that are listed on Schedule 2.5(a) and which Buyer does not designate in writing pursuant to a Designation Notice for assumption shall not constitute Assumed Contracts or Purchased Assets and shall automatically be deemed Excluded Assets; provided, however, that if an Available Contract is subject to a Cure Amount dispute or other dispute as to the assumption or assignment of such Available Contract that has not been resolved to the mutual satisfaction of Buyer and the Sellers prior to the Determination Deadline, then the Determination Deadline shall be extended (but only with respect to such Available Contract) to no later than the earlier of (A) the date on which such dispute has been resolved to the mutual satisfaction of Buyer and the Sellers, (B) the date on which such Available Contract is deemed rejected by operation of section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code and (C) the date upon which such dispute is finally determined by the Bankruptcy Court (the "Extended Contract Period"). If a Designation Notice with respect to such Available Contract is not delivered by Buyer in writing by the date which is three (3) Business Days following the expiration of such Extended Contract Period, such Available Contract shall be automatically deemed an Excluded Asset. For the avoidance of doubt, except as set forth in Section 2.3, Buyer shall not assume or otherwise have any Liability with respect to any Excluded Asset. At Buyer's reasonable request, the Sellers shall make reasonably available to Buyer the appropriate employees of the Sellers necessary to discuss the outstanding Available Contracts.

- (b) The Sellers shall use commercially reasonable efforts to take all actions required by the Bankruptcy Court to obtain an Order (which shall be the Sale Order, unless as otherwise determined by Buyer) containing a finding that the proposed assumption and assignment of the Assumed Contracts to Buyer satisfies all applicable requirements of section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code.
- (c) At the Closing, the Sellers shall, pursuant to the Sale Order and the Bill of Sale and Assignment and Assumption Agreement, assume and assign, or cause to be assigned, to Buyer, each of the Assumed Contracts that is capable of being assumed and assigned as of such date.
- (d) Buyer will cooperate with the Sellers in communicating with third parties to Available Contracts as may be reasonably necessary to assist the Sellers in establishing that Buyer has satisfied the requirement of adequate assurance of future performance contained in sections 365(b)(1)(C) and 365(f) of the Bankruptcy Code with respect to the applicable Available Contracts.
- (e) In the event Sellers are unable to assign any such Assumed Contract to Buyer without the consent of another Person, then the Parties shall use their commercially reasonable efforts to obtain, and to cooperate in obtaining, all required consents necessary to assume and assign such Assumed Contracts to Buyer; provided that Sellers shall not be required to expend any money.
- (f) Within three (3) Business Days after entry of the Bidding Procedures Order or as soon as reasonably practicable thereafter, the Sellers shall file a list of the Available Contracts (the "Assumption Notice") with the Bankruptcy Court and shall serve such Assumption Notice via first class mail on each counterparty to an Available Contract listed thereon. The Assumption Notice shall identify all Available Contracts and set forth a good faith estimate of the amount of the Cure Amounts applicable to each such Contract.
- (g) Not later than three (3) Business Days following the Determination Deadline, Sellers shall file with the Bankruptcy Court an amended and restated Assumption Notice, which notice shall set forth only the Assumed Contracts (and exclude all other Available Contracts).
- (h) On the Closing Date, with respect to Cure Amounts not disputed as of the Closing Date, the Buyer shall pay all Cure Amounts to the applicable counterparty and Sellers shall have no Liability therefor. With respect to Cure Amounts that are disputed as of the Closing Date, the Parties shall cooperate and diligently pursue resolution of such disputes. Upon the resolution of any disputed Cure Amount following the Closing, the Buyer shall pay such Cure Amount promptly, and in no event later than three (3) Business Days following such resolution.
- (i) Upon payment by Buyer of all Cure Amounts, all defaults under the Assumed Contracts (monetary or otherwise) shall be deemed cured.
- (j) Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, from and after the date hereof through the Closing, the Sellers will not reject or take any action (or fail to take

any action that would result in rejection by operation of Law) to reject, repudiate or disclaim any Contract without the prior written consent of Buyer.

(k) <u>Previously Omitted Contracts.</u>

- (i) If prior to the Determination Deadline, it is discovered by any Party that a Contract should have been listed on Schedule 2.5(a) but was not listed on Schedule 2.5(a) and has not been rejected by the Sellers (any such Contract, a "Previously Omitted Contract"), the discovering Party shall, promptly following the discovery thereof (but in no event later than two (2) Business Days following the discovery thereof), notify the other Parties in writing of such Previously Omitted Contract and then the Sellers shall, promptly following such notification (but in no event later than two (2) Business Days following such notification), notify Buyer of Sellers' good faith estimate of all Cure Amounts (if any) for such Previously Omitted Contract. Buyer may thereafter deliver a Designation Notice to Sellers, no later than the earlier of (x) the Determination Deadline or the expiration of the Extended Contract Period, as applicable, and (y) five (5) Business Days following notification of such Previously Omitted Contract from the Seller with respect to such Previously Omitted Contract and such contract shall be an Assumed Contract under this Agreement. All Previously Omitted Contracts with respect to which Buyer fails to timely deliver a Designation Notice shall be an Excluded Asset.
- (ii) If Buyer delivers a Designation Notice in accordance with Section 2.5(k)(i), the Sellers shall serve a notice (the "Previously Omitted Contract Notice") on the counterparties to such Previously Omitted Contract notifying such counterparties of the Cure Amounts with respect to such Previously Omitted Contract and the Sellers' intention to assume and assign such Previously Omitted Contract in accordance with this Section 2.5. The Previously Omitted Contract Notice shall provide the counterparties to such Previously Omitted Contract with ten (10) Business Days to object, in writing to the Sellers and Buyer, to the Cure Amounts or the assumption of its Contract. If the counterparties, the Sellers and Buyer are unable to reach a consensual resolution with respect to the objection, the Sellers shall seek an expedited hearing before the Bankruptcy Court to determine the Cure Amounts and approve the assumption. If no objection is served on the Sellers and Buyer, the Sellers shall obtain an order of the Bankruptcy Court fixing the Cure Amounts and approving the assumption of the Previously Omitted Contract. Buyer shall be responsible for all Cure Amounts relating to such Previously Omitted Contracts.

ARTICLE III CLOSING AND PURCHASE PRICE

3.1 Closing; Transfer of Possession; Certain Deliveries.

(a) Unless this Agreement shall have been terminated and the Transactions shall have been abandoned pursuant to <u>Article IX</u>, the Closing shall take place at 10:00 a.m. (prevailing Eastern Time) on the date (the "<u>Closing Date</u>") that is two (2) Business Days after all the conditions set forth in <u>Article VIII</u> shall have been satisfied or waived (excluding, but subject to the satisfaction or waiver of, conditions that, by their nature, are to be satisfied at the Closing), or such other time or date as agreed to in writing by the Parties. The Closing shall take place by telephone

or video conference and electronic exchange of documents, unless otherwise mutually agreed to by the Parties. The Closing shall be effective as of 12:01 a.m. (prevailing Eastern Time) on the Closing Date.

- (b) At the Closing, the Sellers shall deliver, or shall cause to be delivered, to Buyer the following:
 - (i) a counterpart to the Bill of Sale and Assignment and Assumption Agreement in substantially the form attached hereto as <u>Exhibit B</u> (the "<u>Bill of Sale and Assignment and Assumption Agreement</u>"), duly executed by each Seller;
 - (ii) a certificate of a duly authorized officer of each Seller dated the Closing Date certifying as to the matters set forth in <u>Section 8.1(a)</u>, <u>Section 8.1(b)</u> and <u>Section 8.1(e)</u>;
 - (iii) terminations and/or assignments of the Leases, in each case, as reasonably requested by Buyer with respect to the Leased Real Property;
 - (iv) a certification of non-foreign status from each of the Sellers, duly completed and executed in compliance with Treasury Regulation Section 1.1445-2(b);
 - (v) a membership interest certificate representing the Equity Interests of CMS held by Sellers, to the extent certificated, and associated membership interest power in form and substance reasonably acceptable to Buyer; and
 - (vi) such other closing instruments and certificates as may be reasonably requested by Buyer, in each case in form and substance reasonably acceptable to Buyer and Sellers.
- (c) At the Closing, Buyer shall deliver, or shall cause to be delivered to the Sellers, the following:
 - (i) a counterpart to the Bill of Sale and Assignment and Assumption Agreement, duly executed by Buyer;
 - (ii) the Excluded Cash;
 - (iii) payoff letter, release letter or other similar document acknowledging the conversion of the Credit Bid Amount as consideration for the transfer of the Purchased Assets, in the form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Sellers;
 - (iv) a certificate of a duly authorized officer of Buyer dated the Closing Date, certifying as to the matters set forth in <u>Section 8.2(a)</u> and <u>Section 8.2(b)</u>; and
 - (v) such other closing instruments and certificates as may be reasonably requested by the Sellers, in each case, in form and substance reasonably acceptable to the Sellers and Buyer.

3.2 Purchase Price; Related Matters.

- (a) Purchase Price. The aggregate consideration for the Purchased Assets shall be no less than \$51,000,000 and shall consist of the following (collectively, the "Purchase Price"): (i) a credit bid equal to (A) the outstanding obligations under the DIP Facility up to the full amount of such outstanding obligations, but not less than \$11,000,000 and (B) the outstanding obligations under the Prepetition Financing Agreement up to the full amount of such outstanding obligations, but not less than \$40,000,000 (the "Credit Bid Amount"); plus (ii) the assumption by Buyer of the Assumed Liabilities. The Credit Bid Amount shall be paid by means of a credit against the total amounts due and owing under the Credit Documents as of the Closing Date. In no event shall the Credit Bid Amount be payable by Buyer in cash. The Administrative Agent shall take all necessary actions under the DIP Facility and Prepetition Financing Agreement in order to cause the payment of the Credit Bid Amount in accordance with the Section 3.2(a).
- (b) <u>Bulk Sales Laws</u>. Buyer hereby waives compliance by the Sellers with the requirements and provisions of any "bulk-transfer" Laws that may apply to the sale and transfer of the Purchased Assets to Buyer. Pursuant to section 363(f) of the Bankruptcy Code, the transfer of the Purchased Assets of the Sellers shall be free and clear of all Liens, other than Permitted Liens, in each case pursuant to the Bankruptcy Code, whether arising prior to or subsequent to the Petition Date, including any liens or claims arising out of the "bulk-transfer" Laws.
- 3.3 Allocation of Purchase Price. Sellers and Buyer agree to allocate all amounts treated as consideration for U.S. federal income tax purposes among the Purchased Assets for all purposes (including tax and financial accounting) in accordance with the allocation methodology set forth in Schedule 3.3 attached hereto. Within ninety (90) days following the Closing Date, Buyer will provide to Sellers the Allocation Schedule prepared in accordance with such allocation methodology. If, within thirty (30) calendar days of Sellers' receipt of Buyer's proposed allocation, Sellers do not deliver Buyer written notice (a "Seller Allocation Objection Notice") of any objections that they have to such allocation, Buyer's proposed allocation shall be final and binding to all parties. If Sellers timely deliver to Buyer a Seller Allocation Objection Notice, then Buyer and Sellers shall work together in good faith to resolve the disputed items. If Buyer and Sellers are unable to resolve all of the disputed items within thirty (30) calendar days of Buyer's receipt of the Seller Allocation Objection Notice (or such later date as Buyer and Sellers may agree), then Buyer and Sellers shall refer the disputed items for resolution to an accounting firm of national reputation mutually acceptable to Buyer and Sellers, with no existing relationship with either Buyer or Sellers and such accounting firm shall determine the final allocation in accordance with such allocation methodology. Buyer and Sellers shall file all applicable Tax Returns (including Form 8594, any amended Tax Returns, and any claims for refund) consistent with the Allocation Schedule (as finally determined) and shall take no position contrary thereto or inconsistent therewith (including in any audits or examinations by any taxing authority or any other proceedings) absent a contrary "determination" (within the meaning of Section 1313(a) of the Code).
- 3.4 <u>Withholding</u>. Buyer or any other paying agent (as applicable) shall be entitled to deduct and withhold from the amounts payable under this Agreement such amounts as may be required to be deducted and withheld under the Code and any other applicable Tax Laws. Before withholding or deducting any amounts hereunder, the applicable withholding agent shall use

commercially reasonable efforts to notify Sellers of its intent to withhold at least five (5) days before deducting or withholding any such amounts (other than (i) any withholding on payments in the nature of compensation for services and (ii) any withholding due to the failure of any Seller to deliver the documentation required by Section 3.1(b)(iv) and cooperate with the Sellers to reduce or eliminate such withholding or deduction. To the extent any such amount is to be so deducted and withheld by Buyer, such amounts shall be timely paid over to, or deposited with, the relevant Governmental Entity in accordance with the provisions of applicable Law. Any such withheld amount shall be treated as though it had been paid to the Person in respect of which such withholding was required.

ARTICLE IV REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF SELLERS

Except (i) as disclosed in any document filed or furnished prior to the date hereof by the Borrower with the SEC, other than in any "risk factors" or "forward-looking statements" sections therein to the extent such disclosures are primarily predictive, cautionary or forward looking in nature and (ii) as set forth in the Sellers' Disclosure Schedules, each of the Sellers hereby jointly and severally makes the following representations and warranties to Buyer with respect to itself and each other Seller as of the Agreement Date:

- 4.1 <u>Organization and Good Standing</u>. Each Seller (a) is an entity duly formed, validly existing and in good standing under the Laws of its jurisdiction of incorporation or formation, and (b) subject to any limitations that may be imposed on such Seller as a result of filing a petition for relief under the Bankruptcy Code, has full organizational power and authority to own, lease and operate its properties, to perform all of its obligations under the Available Contracts, and carry on the Business as it is now being conducted. The Sellers have delivered to Buyer true, complete and correct copies of each Seller's Organizational Documents as in effect on the date hereof.
- Power and Authority. Subject to entry and effectiveness of the Sale Order in respect 4.2 of the Sellers, each Seller has the requisite organizational power and authority to enter into this Agreement and to perform its obligations hereunder, and the execution and delivery of this Agreement by each Seller and, subject to the approval of this Agreement by the Bankruptcy Court, the consummation by each Seller of the Transactions and the performance of each Seller's obligations hereunder have been duly authorized by all requisite organizational action on the part of each Seller. This Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by each Seller and (assuming the due and valid authorization, execution and delivery thereof by Buyer), following the approval of this Agreement and the Transactions by the Bankruptcy Court pursuant to the Sale Order, will constitute the legal, valid and binding obligation of each Seller, enforceable against each Seller in accordance with its terms, except that such enforceability (a) may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent transfer, reorganization, moratorium and other similar Laws of general application affecting or relating to the enforcement of creditors' rights generally and (b) is subject to general principles of equity, whether considered in a proceeding at law or in equity (collectively, the "Enforceability Exceptions"). Each Seller has the requisite organizational power to operate its business with respect to the Purchased Assets that it owns as now conducted and is duly qualified as a foreign entity to do business, and to the extent legally applicable, is in good standing, with respect to the Business, in each jurisdiction in which the character of its owned, operated or leased

properties or the nature of its activities makes such qualification necessary, except where the failure to be so qualified or in good standing has not had a Material Adverse Effect.

- 4.3 <u>Litigation</u>. Except as set forth on <u>Schedule 4.3</u>, as of the date hereof, there are no outstanding Orders or Proceedings pending, or, to the Knowledge of the Sellers, threatened in writing against any Seller or an Affiliate of any Seller relating to the ownership or use of the Purchased Assets or conduct of the Business by the Sellers or otherwise affecting the Purchased Assets or the Business.
- A.4 No Contravention. Subject to the entry and effectiveness of the Sale Order by the Bankruptcy Court, and except as set forth on Schedule 4.5, neither the execution and delivery of this Agreement and compliance by the Sellers with any provisions hereof, nor the consummation of the Transactions, will (a) violate or conflict with any provision of any Seller's Organizational Documents, (b) with or without the giving of notice or the lapse of time or both violate, or result in a breach of, or constitute a default under, or conflict with, or accelerate the performance required by, any of the terms of any Available Contract or Lease that is included in the Purchased Assets, (c) violate or conflict with any Order, or any Law or Permit that is required to be discharged prior to Closing applicable to the Sellers, or (d) result in the creation of any Lien upon any of the Purchased Assets (other than Permitted Liens); except, in the case of clauses (b), (c) and (d) above, for compliance with the applicable requirements of the HSR Act or other Antitrust Laws if required.
- 4.5 <u>Consents and Approvals.</u> Except (a) to the extent excused or made unenforceable as a result of the filing of the Cases, (b) to the extent not required if the Sale Order is entered, or (c) as set forth on <u>Schedule 4.5</u>, the execution, delivery and performance by each Seller of this Agreement and the Transactions, and the legality, validity, binding effect or enforceability of this Agreement and any agreements contemplated hereby, do not require any consents, waivers, authorizations or approvals of, or filings with or notice to, any (i) Governmental Entities, or (ii) Material Customers or Material Vendors, except with respect to clauses (ii), as would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, or, with respect to clause (i), for any filings required to be made under the HSR Act or any applicable Antitrust Laws.

4.6 Title to Purchased Assets; Sufficiency.

- (a) Sellers have, and subject to the entry and effectiveness of the Sale Order in respect of the Purchased Assets, at the Closing, Buyer will have, good and valid title to each of the Purchased Assets (except for those Purchased Assets that are leased or licensed to any Seller, as to which any Seller has, and at the Closing, Buyer will have, valid licensed or leasehold interests), free and clear of all Liens, other than (i) Permitted Liens, (ii) Liens securing any loan made directly to Buyer or expressly assumed by Buyer as of the Closing Date, (iii) as subject to Section 2.5, or (iv) the Enforceability Exceptions. Other than the Excluded Assets, the Purchased Assets constitute all of the assets used in or held by the Sellers for use in the Business and are sufficient for Buyer to conduct the Business from and after the Closing Date in all material respects as it has been conducted by the Sellers prior to the Closing.
- 4.7 <u>Validity of Available Contracts</u>. As of the Agreement Date, subject to requisite Bankruptcy Court approvals and assumption by the applicable Seller of the applicable Contract in

accordance with applicable Law (including satisfaction any applicable Cure Amounts) and except (i) as a result of the commencement of the Cases, and (ii) with respect to any Contract that has previously expired in accordance with its terms, been terminated, restated, or replaced: (a) each Available Contract is a legal, valid and binding obligation of the Seller that is a party thereto, and is enforceable against such Seller in accordance with its terms and, to the Knowledge of the Sellers, is a legal, valid and binding obligation of each other party to such Contract and is enforceable against such other party thereto in accordance with its terms, subject to bankruptcy Laws and general equitable principles; (b) no Seller that is a party to any Available Contract, or any other party to an Available Contract is in default or breach of an Available Contract; (c) to the Knowledge of the Sellers, during the twelve (12) months preceding the Agreement Date, no other party to any Available Contract has materially breached such Contract; (d) to the Knowledge of the Sellers, there does not exist any event, condition or omission that would constitute a material default or breach (or event which, with the giving of notice or lapse of time or both would become such a default or breach) under any Available Contract; (e) to the Knowledge of the Sellers, no Seller that is a party to any Available Contract has received any written notice of termination or cancellation with respect to any Available Contract; and (f) with respect to the Assumed Contracts, upon entry of the Sale Order and payment of the Cure Amounts by Buyer, each Seller will not be in breach or default of its obligations thereunder.

4.8 <u>Intellectual Property</u>.

- (a) Schedule 4.8(a) sets forth a correct and complete list of all items of Seller Registered Intellectual Property, specifying the record owner, jurisdiction and issuance, registration or application number and date, as applicable, of each such item. To the Knowledge of the Sellers, all renewal, maintenance and other necessary filings and fees due and payable to any relevant Governmental Entity or domain name registrar to maintain all Seller Registered Intellectual Property in full force and effect have been timely submitted or paid in full. To the Knowledge of the Sellers, all Seller Registered Intellectual Property is subsisting and all issuances and registrations included in the Seller Registered Intellectual Property are valid and enforceable in accordance with applicable Law.
- (b) A Seller is the sole and exclusive owner of all right, title and interest in and to all Owned Intellectual Property, free and clear of all Liens (other than Permitted Liens) and all Licensed Intellectual Property is validly licensed to the applicable Seller, free and clear of all Liens (other than Permitted Liens). To the Knowledge of the Sellers, the Owned Intellectual Property, together with the Licensed Intellectual Property and any Intellectual Property in the public domain, constitutes all of the material Intellectual Property used in, and necessary and sufficient for, the conduct and operation of the Business.
- (c) To the Knowledge of the Sellers, none of the Sellers has received any notice, and there are no claims or Proceedings pending or threatened against any Seller, (i) alleging any infringement, misappropriation, dilution or other violation of any Intellectual Property, (ii) challenging the ownership, validity or enforceability of any Owned Intellectual Property or (iii) challenging the use by any Seller of any Owned Intellectual Property. Except as set forth on Schedule 4.8(c), to the Knowledge of the Sellers, none of the following infringes, constitutes or results from a misappropriation of, dilutes or otherwise violates, or has infringed, constituted or resulted from a misappropriation of, diluted or otherwise violated, any Intellectual Property of any

- Person: (1) any Owned Intellectual Property (or any use, practice or exploitation of any Owned Intellectual Property), (2) any products or services of any Seller (or the making, use, offer for sale, sale, importation, distribution or other disposal, performance or exploitation of any products or services of any Seller) or (3) the conduct or operations of the Business. This Section 4.8(c) constitutes the sole and exclusive representation and warranty with respect to the infringement, violation, misappropriation or dilution of the Intellectual Property of any third party.
- (d) To the Knowledge of the Sellers, (i) no material Owned Intellectual Property has been or is being infringed, misappropriated, diluted or otherwise violated by any Person, and (ii) no claim or Proceeding alleging any of the foregoing is pending or threatened against any Person by any Seller.
- (e) To the Knowledge of the Sellers, each Seller has taken commercially reasonable security measures designed to maintain and protect the confidentiality and value of all (i) material Trade Secrets included in the Owned Intellectual Property and (ii) Trade Secrets owned by any Person to whom any Seller has a confidentiality obligation, in the case of clauses (i) and (ii), which measures are reasonable in the industry in which the Business operates. To the Knowledge of the Sellers, no material Trade Secret included in the Owned Intellectual Property has been authorized to be disclosed or, to the Knowledge of the Sellers, has been actually disclosed to any Person other than pursuant to a valid written confidentiality Contract sufficiently restricting the disclosure and use thereof.
- (f) To the Knowledge of Sellers, the IT Systems are adequate and sufficient (including with respect to working condition and capacity) in all material respects for the operation of the Business. To the Knowledge of the Sellers, there have been no (i) security breaches or unauthorized use, access or intrusions of any IT Systems or (ii) outages of any IT Systems that have caused or resulted in a material disruption to the Business.
- Software has been licensed or provided to, or used or accessed by, any Person other than Sellers' employees, consultants or contractors, who have entered into written confidentiality Contracts with respect to such source code or related materials. To the Knowledge of the Sellers, no Open Source Software is or has been included, incorporated or embedded in, linked to, combined or distributed with or used in the delivery or provision of any Seller Software, in each case, in a manner that subjects any Seller Software to any Open Source Software license or other obligation that requires as a condition of use, modification and/or distribution of the Seller Software, that the Seller Software be: (i) disclosed or distributed in source code form; (ii) licensed for the purpose of making derivative works; or (iii) redistributable at no charge.
- (h) The Sellers and, to the Knowledge of the Sellers, any Person acting for or on the Sellers' behalf, have at all times materially complied with (i) all applicable Privacy Laws, (ii) all of the Sellers' policies and notices regarding Personal Information, and (iii) all of the Sellers' contractual obligations with respect to Personal Information. Each Seller has implemented and maintains and, to the Knowledge of the Sellers, has at all times maintained reasonable safeguards to protect Personal Information and other confidential data in its possession or under its control against loss, theft, misuse or unauthorized access, use, modification, alteration, destruction or disclosure. To the Knowledge of the Sellers, there have been no material breaches, security

incidents, misuse of or unauthorized access to or disclosure of any Personal Information in the possession or control of the Sellers or collected, used or processed by or on behalf of the Sellers. To the Knowledge of the Sellers, no Seller has received any written notice of any claims (including written notice from third parties acting on its behalf) of or investigations or inquires related to, or been charged with, the violation of any Privacy Laws, applicable privacy policies, or contractual commitments with respect to Personal Information.

4.9 <u>Employee Benefits</u>.

- (a) Schedule 4.9(a) lists all material Benefit Plans.
- (b) True, correct and complete copies of the following documents, with respect to each of the Benefit Plans, have been made available to Buyer (in each case, to the extent applicable): (i) any plan documents and all material amendments thereto, (ii) the most recent Form 5500, and (iii) the most recent summary plan descriptions (including letters or other documents updating such descriptions).
- (c) Each of the Benefit Plans sponsored by any Seller that is intended to qualify under Section 401 of the Code has received a favorable determination letter from the Internal Revenue Service that such plan is so qualified, and, except as disclosed in <u>Schedule 4.9(c)</u>, to the Knowledge of the Sellers, nothing has occurred with respect to the operation of any such plan which could reasonably be expected to result in the revocation of such favorable determination.
- (d) Except as disclosed in <u>Schedule 4.9(d)</u>, since December 31, 2022, each of the Benefit Plans has been maintained, in all material respects, in accordance with its terms and all provisions of applicable Law.
- (e) Other than as required under Section 4980B of the Code or other similar applicable Law or for which the covered person pays the full cost of coverage for such person and his or her beneficiaries and dependents, neither the Sellers nor any ERISA Affiliate has or could reasonably be expected to have any Liability for providing post-termination or retiree medical, life insurance or other welfare benefits (other than the obligation to pay or reimburse premiums for a limited period of time following a termination or retirement).
- of the Transactions, either alone or in connection with any other event, will (i) give rise to any payments or benefits that would be nondeductible to the Sellers under Section 280G of the Code or that could result in an excise Tax on any recipient under Section 4999 of the Code, (ii) result in any payment or benefit becoming due to any current or former employee, independent contractor or consultant of the Sellers, (iii) increase the amount or value of any compensation or benefits payable under any Benefit Plan, result in any acceleration of the time of payment or vesting of any compensation or benefits or provide any additional compensatory rights or benefits (including funding of compensation or benefits through a trust or otherwise) to any current or former employee, independent contractor or consultant of the Sellers, or (iv) limit or restrict the ability of Buyer, its Affiliates, or the Sellers to merge, amend or terminate any Benefit Plan.

4.10 Labor Matters.

- (a) Schedule 4.10(a) sets forth a complete (but anonymized) list of all Business Employees and individual independent contractors of the Sellers, and based on the Sellers' records as of a date within five (5) Business Days of the Agreement Date, correctly reflects, with respect to each individual, as applicable: (i) date of hire; (ii) job title and department; (iii) rate of pay or salary; (iv) target incentive cash compensation opportunities, (v) employee versus independent contractor status; (vi) exempt versus non-exempt status; (vii) accrued but unused paid-time off; (viii) to the extent known, leave of absence status; and (ix) date of birth.
- (b) None of the Sellers is a party to any labor or collective bargaining agreement and there are no labor or collective bargaining agreements which pertain to any Business Employees, and no such agreements are being negotiated as of the Agreement Date. No Business Employees are represented by a labor or trade union, works council, employee association or other employee representative, no labor organization or group of Business Employees has made a pending demand for recognition, and there are no representation proceedings or petitions seeking a representation proceeding presently pending or, to the Knowledge of the Sellers, threatened to be brought or filed, with the U.S. National Labor Relations Board. There is no organizing activity involving any of the Sellers pending or, to the Knowledge of the Sellers, threatened by any labor organization with respect to the Business Employees.
- (c) There is (i) no unfair labor practice complaint pending against any Seller or, to the Knowledge of the Sellers, threatened against them, before the U.S. National Labor Relations Board, and no grievance or arbitration proceeding arising out of or under any collective bargaining agreement is so pending against any Seller or, to the Knowledge of the Sellers, threatened against them, and (ii) no strike, labor dispute, slowdown or stoppage pending against any Seller or, to the Knowledge of the Sellers, threatened against them.
- (d) Each of the Sellers is in material compliance with all Labor Laws. Other than as set forth on Schedule 4.10(d), no equal employment opportunity charges or other claims of employment discrimination are pending or, to the Knowledge of the Sellers, threatened against them, nor have there been any such charges or claims since December 31, 2022. No wage and hour department investigation has been made or, to the Knowledge of the Sellers, threatened against any Seller since December 31, 2022, whether internally or by any Governmental Entity in connection with the employment, engagement, compensation, or service of any current or former employee, consultant or contractor. Other than as set forth in Schedule 4.10(d), there are no complaints, charges or claims against any Seller pending or, to Knowledge of the Sellers, threatened that could be brought or filed based on, arising out of, in connection with or otherwise relating to the employment or termination of employment or failure to employ or discrimination, harassment, retaliation, equal pay, or any other employment-related matter arising under the Labor Laws by any Seller of any individual, nor have there been any such complaints, charges or claims against any Seller since December 31, 2022.
- (e) Prior to the date hereof, the Sellers have not taken any action or any actions relating to the Business at any single site of employment in the ninety (90)-day period prior to the Agreement Date that would, individually or in the aggregate, constitute a "mass layoff" or "plant closing" within the meaning of the WARN Act, or any similar applicable Law. Since December

- 31, 2022, the Sellers have not engaged in any temporary layoffs, furloughs or reduction in hours that would trigger notice requirements under the WARN Act, or any similar applicable Law, were such temporary layoff, furlough or reduction in hours to last for at least six (6) months. Schedule 4.10(e) sets forth a list of all employees associated with the Business that have been terminated in the ninety (90)-day period prior to the Agreement Date, which list includes information regarding the date of each termination and the terminated employee's place of work.
- (f) Neither the Sellers, nor any of their respective officers or directors in their individual capacities have, since December 31, 2022, settled any material claims, actions, complaints, or other grievances relating to sexual harassment involving or relating to one or more Business Employee. There are no such claims, actions, complaints or other grievances relating to sexual harassment currently pending or, to the Knowledge of Sellers, threatened against any Business Employee or Seller in respect of any Business Employee.
- 4.11 <u>Conduct of Business</u>. Except as set forth on <u>Schedule 4.11</u>, and except for the Cases, the DIP Documents, all negotiation and preparation therefor, and the negotiation, execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement, from January 1, 2023 to the Agreement Date, (a) the Business has been conducted in the Ordinary Course of Business and the Sellers have not entered into any transaction (including any transfer or sale of assets) out of the Ordinary Course of Business, (b) the Sellers have owned and operated the Purchased Assets in the Ordinary Course of Business, and (c) there has been no Material Adverse Effect.

4.12 Compliance with Laws; Permits.

- Knowledge of Sellers have conducted since January 1, 2023, the Business and Purchased Assets in compliance, in all material respects, with all applicable Laws, notices, approvals and Orders. Except as disclosed on Schedule 4.12, to the Knowledge of the Sellers, (i) each Seller is not in material breach of any Law, notice, approval or order applicable to it or the Business, and (ii) there are no facts or circumstances which could form the basis for any such material breach. Each Seller is not under investigation with respect to the violation of any Laws and to the Knowledge of the Sellers, there are no facts or circumstances which could form the basis for any such violation. None of the Sellers has received (A) any written notice or other communication that alleges that the Business is not in compliance in any material respect with any Law, Order or Permit applicable to the Business or the Purchased Assets or (B) any written notice or communication regarding any deficiencies in any material respect in the compliance practices, procedures, methodologies or methods of the Business or its employees or internal compliance controls, including any complaint, allegation, assertion or claim that the Business or its employees has engaged in illegal practices.
- (b) The Sellers have all material Permits which are required for the lawful operation of the Business as presently conducted and the ownership and operation of the Purchased Assets, and each such Permit is valid, binding and in full force and effect, in each case except as would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. Except as set forth on Schedule 4.12(b), to the Knowledge of Sellers, none of the Sellers is or has been in material default or violation (and no event has occurred which, with notice or the lapse of time or both, would constitute a default or violation) of any term, condition or provision of any Permit to which it is a party. Schedule 4.12(b) sets forth a list of all material Permits of the Sellers.

- 4.13 CMS Financial Statements. The Sellers have delivered to Buyer the unaudited balance sheet of CMS dated as of [_____] (the "CMS Balance Sheet") and the unaudited statements of operations and income, shareholders' equity and cash flow of CMS for the year ended December 31, 2022 and the [_____] ([__]) month period ended [_____], 2023, respectively (the "CMS Interim Financial Statements" and together with the Audited Financial Statement, the "CMS Financial Statements"). Except as set forth on Schedule 4.13, the CMS Financial Statements present fairly in all material respects the financial position, results of operations and cash flows of CMS on the basis stated therein as of the dates and for the applicable periods stated therein, subject, in the case of the CMS Interim Financial Statements, to normal year-end audit adjustments and the absence of related notes.
- 4.14 <u>Absence of Undisclosed Liabilities</u>. Except as set forth on <u>Schedule 4.14</u>, there are no Liabilities of CMS of any nature, whether accrued, contingent, absolute, known or otherwise, in each case, required by GAAP to be reflected or reserved against on a balance sheet of CMS prepared in accordance with GAAP or the notes thereto, other than: (a) Liabilities as and to the extent reflected or reserved against in the CMS Financial Statements, (b) Liabilities incurred since January 1, 2023 in the Ordinary Course of Business, or (c) Liabilities that would not, either individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to be material to CMS.
- 4.15 <u>Financial Advisors</u>. Except as set forth on <u>Schedule 4.15</u>, no Person has acted, directly or indirectly, as a broker, finder or financial advisor for any Seller in connection with the Transactions and no Person is entitled to any fee or commission or like payment in respect thereof.

4.16 Tax Matters.

- (a) Except as set forth in <u>Schedule 4.16(a)</u>, the Sellers have timely filed (taking into account any valid extensions of time to file) all material Tax Returns which are required to be filed by the Sellers, all such Tax Returns are true, correct and complete in all material respects, and all material Taxes due and payable by the Sellers prior to the date hereof have been timely and fully paid.
- (b) Except as set forth on <u>Schedule 4.16(b)</u>, there are no Liens for Taxes upon the Purchased Assets other than Permitted Liens.
- (c) Except as set forth on <u>Schedule 4.16(c)</u>, to the Knowledge of Sellers, the Sellers have complied in all material respects with all applicable Laws relating to the withholding, collection and payment of Taxes and have duly and timely withheld, collected and paid over to the appropriate Governmental Entity all amounts required to be so withheld, collected and paid under all applicable Laws.
- (d) The Sellers have not received any notice from any taxing authority or Governmental Entity asserting that any Seller may be subject to Tax in any jurisdiction in which any Seller does not file Tax Returns.
- (e) No action, suit, proceeding or audit is pending against or with respect to the Sellers regarding Taxes.

- (f) The Sellers have not waived any statute of limitations in respect of Taxes or agreed to any extension of time with respect to a Tax assessment or deficiency, other than any waiver or exclusion which has expired.
- (g) None of the Purchased Assets is an interest (other than indebtedness within the meaning of Section 163 of the Code) in an entity taxable as a corporation, partnership, trust or real estate mortgage investment conduit for U.S. federal income tax purposes.
- (h) No Seller is a party to, or bound by, any Tax indemnity, Tax sharing or Tax allocation agreement, other than agreements entered into in the Ordinary Course of Business that relate primarily to non-Tax matters.

4.17 Real Property.

- (a) <u>Schedule 4.17(a)</u> sets forth a complete list of the Leased Real Property and the Leases. Except for the Leased Real Property set forth on <u>Schedule 4.17(a)</u>, the Sellers do not own or lease or otherwise occupy any other real property or have any other place of business.
- (b) Except as set forth on <u>Schedule 4.17(b)</u>, a Seller has good and valid leasehold title to the Leased Real Property, in each case free and clear of all Liens of any nature whatsoever except for Permitted Liens.
- (c) The Sellers have not subleased, licensed or otherwise granted to any Person the right to possess, use or occupy the Leased Real Property or any portion thereof.
- (d) The Leases are in full force and effect. No Seller has delivered or received notice from the other party to any Lease of the termination or surrender thereof. The Sellers have delivered to Buyer true and complete copies of the Leases, including all amendments, notices or memoranda of lease thereto, and all estoppel certificates, or subordination, non-disturbance and attornment agreements, if any, relating to the Leased Real Property. There are no material agreements, understandings or undertakings pertaining to the Leases and the Sellers' leasehold interests in the Leased Real Property which have not been disclosed or made available to Buyer prior to the date hereof.
- (e) Except as set forth in <u>Schedule 4.17(e)</u>, as of the date hereof, no Seller has received any written notice from any Governmental Entity asserting any material violation of applicable Laws with respect to the Leased Real Property, and there is no pending or, to the Knowledge of the Sellers, threatened eminent domain taking, expropriation, condemnation or rezoning affecting any portion of the Leased Real Property.
- 4.18 <u>Tangible Personal Property</u>. <u>Schedule 4.18</u> sets forth all leases of personal property ("<u>Personal Property Leases</u>") relating to personal property used or held for use by the Sellers or to which any Seller is a party or by which the properties or assets of any of the Sellers is bound. No Seller has received any written notice of any default or event that with notice or lapse of time or both would constitute a default by any Seller under any of the Personal Property Leases.
- 4.19 <u>Insurance</u>. The Sellers have insurance policies in full force and effect for such amounts as are sufficient for all requirements of Law and all agreements to which any Seller is a

party or by which it is bound. Set forth in <u>Schedule 4.19</u> is a list of all insurance policies and all fidelity bonds held by or applicable to any Seller setting forth, in respect of each such policy, the policy name, policy number, carrier, term, type of coverage and annual premium. Except as set forth on <u>Schedule 4.19</u>, to the Knowledge of Sellers, no event relating to any Seller has occurred which can reasonably be expected to result in a retroactive upward adjustment in premiums under any such insurance policies or which is likely to result in a prospective upward adjustment in such premiums. Excluding insurance policies that have expired and been replaced in the Ordinary Course of Business, no insurance policy has been cancelled within the last two (2) years and, to the Knowledge of the Sellers, no threat has been made to cancel any insurance policy of any Seller during such period. Except as noted in each insurance policy or on <u>Schedule 4.19</u>, all such insurance will remain in full force and effect, all premiums due to date thereunder have been paid in full, and neither Sellers nor any of Sellers' Affiliates is in material default with respect to any obligations thereunder.

4.20 <u>Condition and Suitability of Purchased Assets</u>. As of the Agreement Date, there has been no condemnation, seizure, damage, destruction or other casualty loss (whether or not covered by insurance) affecting any of the Purchased Assets or the Business in any material respect which has not subsequently been completely repaired, replaced or restored. As of the Agreement Date, there are no pending or, to the Knowledge of the Sellers, threatened or contemplated condemnation proceedings affecting the Business, any of the Purchased Assets (or any portion thereof), or of any sale or other disposition of the Business or any of the Purchased Assets (or any portion thereof) in lieu of condemnation except as would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

4.21 <u>Anti-Corruption</u>.

- (a) None of the Sellers, or any of their respective officers, directors, employees, agents, representatives, consultants, members, equityholders, in each case, acting for or on behalf of the Sellers, since December 31, 2022 has, to the Knowledge of the Sellers, directly or indirectly, in connection with the Business:
 - (i) made, offered or promised to make or offer any payment, loan or transfer of anything of value, including any reward, advantage or benefit of any kind, to or for the benefit of any Government Official, candidate for public office, political party or political campaign, for the purpose of (A) influencing any act or decision of such Government Official, candidate, party or campaign, (B) inducing such Government Official, candidate, party or campaign to do or omit to do any act in violation of a lawful duty, (C) obtaining or retaining business for or with any Person, (D) expediting or securing the performance of official acts of a routine nature, or (E) otherwise securing any improper advantage;
 - (ii) paid, offered or promised to make or offer any bribe, payoff, influence payment, kickback, unlawful rebate, or other similar unlawful payment of any nature;
 - (iii) made, offered or promised to make or offer any unlawful contributions, gifts, entertainment or other unlawful expenditures;

- (iv) established or maintained any unlawful fund of corporate monies or other properties;
- (v) created or caused the creation of any false or inaccurate books and records of the Sellers related to any of the foregoing; or
 - (vi) otherwise violated any provision of any Anti-Corruption Laws.
- 4.22 OFAC. None of the Sellers are, or to the Knowledge of the Sellers have been since December 31, 2022, in violation of any Sanctions. As of the Agreement Date, none of the Sellers nor, to the Knowledge of the Sellers, any director, officer, employee, agent, member, Affiliate or any equityholder, of any Seller (a) is a Sanctioned Person or a Sanctioned Entity, (b) has any assets located in Sanctioned Entities, or (c) derives revenues from investments in, or transactions with Sanctioned Persons or Sanctioned Entities. Each of the Sellers and, to the Knowledge of the Sellers, each director, officer, employee, agent and Affiliate of any Seller, is, and since December 31, 2022 has been, in compliance with all applicable Anti-Corruption Laws, and Anti-Money Laundering Laws. No proceeds as a result of the Transactions will be used to fund any operations in, finance any investments or activities in, or make any payments to, a Sanctioned Person or a Sanctioned Entity, or otherwise used in any manner that would result in a violation of any Sanction, Anti-Corruption Law, or Anti-Money Laundering Law by any Persons.

4.23 Related Party Transactions.

- (a) To the Knowledge of the Sellers, no Seller, executive officer, director, member, manager, equityholder or Affiliate of a Seller nor any individual who is a lineal descendant, sibling, parent or spouse of any such Person (each, a "Related Party") is a party to any Contract or arrangement (including any loan or similar arrangement) with or binding upon any of the Sellers or the Purchased Assets or has any interest in any asset (each, a "Related Party Transaction") other than as set forth on Schedule 4.23(a). Except as set forth on Schedule 4.23(a), no Seller has made any payments to or on behalf of any Related Party (including by exercise of set-off rights, cancellation of intercompany indebtedness, or otherwise).
- (b) Except as disclosed on <u>Schedule 4.23(b)</u>, to the Knowledge of Sellers, no Related Party will, immediately following the Closing, hold any asset (tangible or intangible), property, right, claim, cause of action (including any counterclaim) or defense used in or related to the Business.
- 4.24 <u>Customers and Suppliers</u>. <u>Schedule 4.24</u> lists the Material Customers and the Material Vendors.
- 4.25 <u>Disclaimer of Other Representations and Warranties</u>. Except as expressly set forth in this <u>Article IV</u> (as modified by the seller's Disclosure Schedules hereto), no Seller nor any other Person makes any representation and warranty, express or implied, in respect of such Seller, the Purchased Assets, the Business or the Assumed Liabilities or with respect to any other information provided to Buyer or its Representatives in connection with the Transactions, including the accuracy, completeness or currency thereof, and any such other representations or warranties, express or implied, are hereby expressly disclaimed.

ARTICLE V REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF BUYER

Buyer hereby represents and warrants to the Sellers as follows:

- 5.1 <u>Organization and Good Standing</u>. Buyer is a limited liability company duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the Laws of its jurisdiction of formation, and has full power and authority to own, lease and operate its properties and carry on its business as it is now being conducted.
- 5.2 <u>Power and Authority</u>. Buyer has the requisite power and authority to enter into this Agreement and to perform its obligations hereunder, and the execution and delivery of this Agreement and the consummation of the Transactions and the performance of Buyer's obligations hereunder have been duly authorized by all requisite company action on the part of Buyer. This Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by Buyer and constitutes (assuming the due and valid authorization, execution and delivery thereof by the other parties thereto and the entry of approval of this Agreement and the Transactions by the Bankruptcy Court pursuant to the Sale Order) the legal, valid and binding obligation of Buyer, enforceable against Buyer in accordance with its terms.
- 5.3 <u>No Contravention</u>. Neither the execution and delivery of this Agreement nor the consummation of the Transactions will (a) violate or conflict with any provision of Buyer's Organizational Documents, or (b) violate or conflict with any Order, Governmental Entity or arbitrator, or any Law applicable to Buyer; other than, in the case of clause (b), compliance with the applicable requirements of the HSR Act or other Antitrust Laws if required.
- 5.4 <u>Consents and Approvals</u>. Except for (a) entry of the Sale Order, and (b) any consents or approvals as are reflected on <u>Schedule 5.4</u>, the execution, delivery and performance by Buyer of this Agreement and the Transactions, and the legality, validity, binding effect or enforceability of this Agreement and any agreements contemplated hereby, do not require any consents, waivers, authorizations or approvals of, or filings with, any third Persons or Governmental Entities, other than any filings required to be made under the HSR Act or applicable Antitrust Laws.
- 5.5 <u>Litigation.</u> There are no Proceedings pending or, to the knowledge of Buyer, threatened, that would reasonably be expected to adversely affect the ability of Buyer to consummate the Transactions in any material respect.
- 5.6 <u>Financial Advisors</u>. No Person has acted, directly or indirectly, as a broker, finder or financial advisor for Buyer in connection with the Transactions and no Person is entitled to any fee or commission or like payment in respect thereof.
- 5.7 <u>Sufficient Funds</u>; Adequate Assurances. Buyer has or will have as of the Closing, immediately available funds sufficient for the satisfaction of all of Buyer's obligations under this Agreement, including all fees, expenses of, and other amounts required to be paid by, Buyer in connection with the transactions contemplated hereby. As of the Closing, Buyer shall be capable of satisfying the conditions contained in sections 365(b)(1)(C) and 365(f)(2)(B) of the Bankruptcy Code with respect to the Assumed Contracts and the related Assumed Liabilities.

5.8 Acknowledgements; "As Is" "Where Is" Transaction.

- BUYER, ON ITS OWN BEHALF AND ON BEHALF OF ITS AFFILIATES, ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT IT AND ITS AFFILIATES HAVE FROM **SELLERS** CERTAIN PROJECTIONS, FORWARD-LOOKING RECEIVED STATEMENTS, FORECASTS, AND PROSPECTIVE OR THIRD-PARTY INFORMATION RELATING TO SELLERS, THE BUSINESS, THE PURCHASED ASSETS AND THE ASSUMED LIABILITIES (WHETHER IN WRITTEN, ELECTRONIC, OR ORAL FORM) (COLLECTIVELY, "PROJECTIONS"). BUYER, ON BEHALF OF ITSELF AND ITS AFFILIATES, ACKNOWLEDGES THAT (I) SUCH PROJECTIONS ARE BEING PROVIDED SOLELY FOR THE CONVENIENCE OF BUYER AND ITS AFFILIATES TO FACILITATE THEIR OWN INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION; (II) THERE ARE UNCERTAINTIES INHERENT IN ATTEMPTING TO MAKE SUCH PROJECTIONS AND FORECASTS AND IN SUCH INFORMATION; (III) BUYER AND ITS AFFILIATES ARE FAMILIAR WITH SUCH UNCERTAINTIES AND ARE TAKING FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR MAKING THEIR OWN EVALUATION OF THE ADEQUACY AND ACCURACY OF ALL SUCH PROJECTIONS, FORECASTS, AND INFORMATION SO FURNISHED (INCLUDING THE REASONABLENESS OF THE ASSUMPTIONS UNDERLYING SUCH PROJECTIONS); AND (IV) NONE OF THE SELLERS NOR ANY OTHER PERSON MAKES ANY REPRESENTATIONS OR WARRANTIES WITH RESPECT TO SUCH PROJECTIONS AND FORECASTS. BUYER, ON ITS OWN BEHALF AND ON BEHALF OF ITS AFFILIATES HEREBY DISCLAIMS RELIANCE ON ANY SUCH PROJECTIONS.
- BUYER, ON ITS OWN BEHALF AND ON BEHALF OF ITS **ACKNOWLEDGES** AFFILIATES, FURTHER **AND AGREES THAT** THE REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES MADE BY SELLERS TO BUYER IN ARTICLE IV (AS QUALIFIED BY THE SELLERS' DISCLOSURE SCHEDULES) OR IN THE DOCUMENTS DELIVERED BY SELLERS TO BUYER IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 3.1(b) AT THE CLOSING (COLLECTIVELY, THE "EXPRESS REPRESENTATIONS") ARE THE SOLE AND EXCLUSIVE REPRESENTATIONS, WARRANTIES AND STATEMENTS OF ANY KIND MADE TO BUYER IN CONNECTION WITH THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED BY THIS AGREEMENT AND THAT ALL OTHER REPRESENTATIONS OR WARRANTIES OF ANY KIND OR NATURE EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED, WHETHER IN WRITTEN, ELECTRONIC OR ORAL FORM, INCLUDING (A) TO THE COMPLETENESS OR ACCURACY OF, OR ANY OMISSION TO STATE OR TO DISCLOSE ANY INFORMATION (OTHER THAN SOLELY TO THE EXTENT OF AN EXPRESS REPRESENTATION), AND (B) ANY OTHER STATEMENT RELATING TO THE HISTORICAL, CURRENT OR FUTURE BUSINESS, FINANCIAL CONDITION, RESULTS OF OPERATIONS, ASSETS, LIABILITIES, PROPERTIES, CONTRACTS, EMPLOYEE MATTERS, REGULATORY COMPLIANCE, BUSINESS RISKS AND PROSPECTUS OF THE SELLERS OR ANY OF THEIR RESPECTIVE AFFILIATES OR SUBSIDIARIES, OR THE QUALITY, QUANTITY OR CONDITION OF THE SELLERS' ASSETS, ARE, IN EACH CASE, EXPRESSLY DISCLAIMED BY EACH OF THE SELLERS, INCLUDING WITH RESPECT TO (I) ANY WARRANTY, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR ANY PARTICULAR PURPOSE AS TO ANY PORTION OF THE PURCHASED ASSETS, AND (II) WITH RESPECT TO THE BUSINESS, FINANCIAL CONDITION, RESULTS OF OPERATIONS, ASSETS, LIABILITIES, AND PROSPECTS OF SELLERS OR

THE BUSINESS OF THE SELLERS), THE MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS OF THE PERSONAL PROPERTY OR ANY OTHER PORTION OF THE PURCHASED ASSETS FOR ANY PARTICULAR PURPOSE, OR ANY OTHER MATTER RELATING TO THE PURCHASED ASSETS OR ANY PORTION THEREOF.

(c) UPON THE CLOSING DATE, SUBJECT TO THE EXPRESS REPRESENTATIONS AND THE PROVISIONS OF <u>SECTION 10.5</u>, BUYER WILL ACCEPT THE PURCHASED ASSETS AT THE CLOSING "AS IS," "WHERE IS," AND "WITH ALL FAULTS."

ARTICLE VI COVENANTS OF THE PARTIES

- Conduct of Business Pending the Closing. Except (a) as required by applicable Law or by order of the Bankruptcy Court or any Order, (b) as otherwise expressly required by this Agreement, (c) as limited by the terms of the DIP Documents, (d) as set forth on Schedule 6.1, or (e) with the prior written consent of Buyer (not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned, or delayed), during the period from the Agreement Date and continuing until the earlier of the termination of this Agreement in accordance with its terms or the Closing, the Sellers shall use commercially reasonable efforts to carry on the Business in the Ordinary Course of Business (subject to the requirements of the Bankruptcy Code and Bankruptcy Court) and use commercially reasonable efforts to preserve in all material respects (i) the operations, organization and goodwill of the Business (including by maintaining and renewing its Permits) and (ii) the relationships with Governmental Entities, customers, suppliers, partners, lessors, licensors, licensees, vendors, contractors, distributors, agents, officers and employees and others having material business dealings with the Business. The Sellers shall notify Buyer in writing of any event, occurrence, fact, condition or change in the Business, assets, operations or prospects of the Sellers that results in, or could reasonably be expected to result in, a Material Adverse Effect, promptly upon the Knowledge of Sellers of such occurrence of any such event, occurrence, fact, condition or change.
- 6.2 <u>Negative Covenants.</u> Except as otherwise expressly provided by this Agreement, as set forth on <u>Schedule 6.1</u>, or consented to in writing by Buyer (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed), or as may be required by order of the Bankruptcy Court or any Order, or as limited by the terms of the DIP Documents, during the period from the Agreement Date until the earlier of the termination of this Agreement in accordance with its terms or the Closing, the Sellers shall not take any of the following actions:
- (a) incur or commit to incur any capital expenditures other than as expressly contemplated under the Budget;
- (b) acquire or agree to acquire (by merging or consolidating with, or by purchasing any portion of the stock of, or other ownership interests in, or substantial portion of assets of, or by any other manner), any business or division or any corporation, partnership, association, limited liability company or other entity;

- (c) grant any Lien on or otherwise encumber or dispose of (or consent to the disposition of) any of the Purchased Assets (including any Available Contract), including the Equity Interests of any of the Sellers, other than among the Sellers, or for any Permitted Lien;
- (d) sell, assign, transfer, license, sublicense, covenant not to sue with respect to, abandon, cancel, terminate, permit to lapse or expire, or otherwise dispose of any material Owned Intellectual Property, other than in the Ordinary Course of Business;
- (e) adjust, split, combine, redeem, repurchase or reclassify any capital stock or equity interests or issue or propose or authorize the issuance of any other securities (including Debt securities, options, profits interests, warrants or any similar security exercisable for, or convertible into, such other security);
- (f) incur or assume any Debt (other than the DIP Facility and any other Debt not prohibited by the DIP Documents);
- (g) guarantee any Debt of any Person or enter into any "keep well" or other agreement to maintain any financial condition of another Person or enter into any arrangement having the economic effect of any of the foregoing (other than the DIP Facility and any guarantee not prohibited by the DIP Documents);
- (h) enter into, restate, terminate, or materially amend, supplement or modify, or grant any waiver of any material entitlement of any Seller, other than entering into any Available Contract in the Ordinary Course of Business;
- (i) initiate, compromise, settle or agree to settle any Claim, complaint, or Proceeding, other than compromises or settlements in the Ordinary Course of Business that (i) involve only the payment of money damages not in excess of \$50,000 individually or \$250,000 in the aggregate, (ii) do not impose ongoing limits on the conduct of the Business, and (iii) result in a full release of all Sellers with regard to the Claims or complaint giving rise to such Proceeding;
- (j) make, change or revoke any material Tax election (including entity classification elections), change any financial or Tax accounting method, except insofar as may have been required by applicable Law or a change in GAAP, consent to an extension or waiver of the limitation period applicable to any Tax claim or assessment, or surrender any right to claim a refund of a material amount of Taxes;
- (k) enter into, amend, negotiate or terminate any collective bargaining agreement or similar agreement with any labor union or labor organization representing any employees;
- (l) (i) unless in accordance with an Order of the Bankruptcy Court and the Budget, increase the compensation payable to or to become payable to, or the benefits provided to, pay any bonus to, or grant any equity or equity-based award to, any current or former employee, director, individual independent contractor or other individual service provider of the Sellers; (ii) grant, increase, pay, provide or modify any severance, retention, change in control or termination payment or benefit to, or loan or advance or accelerate any amount to, any current or former employee, director, individual independent contractor or other individual service provider of the

Sellers; (iii) accelerate the vesting or payment, or fund or in any other way secure the payment, of any compensation or benefit for any current or former employee, director, individual independent contractor or other individual service provider of the Sellers; (iv) approve, establish, adopt, enter into, amend or terminate any Assumed Benefit Plan, except as required by Law; (v) grant or forgive any loans to any current or former employee, director, individual independent contractor or other individual service provider of the Sellers; or (vi) hire or promote, or terminate or demote (other than for cause) any current or former employee, individual independent contractor or other individual service provider of the Business with annual target cash compensation greater than \$100,000;

- (m) (i) enter into any Contract or arrangement (including any loan or similar arrangement) with a Related Party or that would be a Related Party Transaction if it existed on the Agreement Date that, in each case, would impose any obligation or (ii) make payments to or on behalf of any Related Party (including by exercise of set-off rights or otherwise), other than in accordance with the terms of an existing, disclosed Related Party Transaction;
- (n) receive, collect, compile, use, store, process, share, safeguard, secure (technically, physically and administratively), dispose of, destroy, disclose, or transfer (including cross-border) Personal Information (or fail to do any of the foregoing, as applicable) in violation of any (i) applicable Privacy Laws, (ii) privacy policies or notices of the Sellers, or (iii) the Sellers' contractual obligations with respect to Personal Information; or
 - (o) authorize, commit or agree to take any of the foregoing actions.

6.3 Access.

- Subject to applicable Law, until the Closing Date, the Sellers (i) shall give (a) Buyer and its Representatives reasonable access during normal business hours to the offices, assets, contracts, properties, officers, employees, accountants, auditors, financial advisors, counsel (other than counsel to the Sellers in connection with the Cases) and other representatives, books and records, of the Sellers and their Affiliates, (ii) shall furnish to Buyer and its Representatives such financial, operating and property related data and other information as such Persons reasonably request, (iii) shall instruct the employees, accountants, counsel and financial advisors of the Sellers and their Affiliates to cooperate reasonably with Buyer in its investigation of the Business; and (iv) shall, upon reasonable request of Buyer, use commercially reasonable efforts to provide Buyer with access to their customers, suppliers, vendors, distributors, manufacturers and other Persons with whom the Business has had material dealings. No investigation by Buyer prior to or after the date of this Agreement shall diminish or obviate any of the representations, warranties, covenants or agreements of the Sellers contained in this Agreement. For the avoidance of doubt, nothing in this Section 6.3(a) shall require Sellers to take any such action if (i) such action may result in a waiver or breach of any attorney/client privilege or (ii) such action could reasonably be expected to result in violation of applicable Law or Order.
- (b) From and after the Closing Date until the conclusion of the Cases, Buyer shall give the Sellers and the Sellers' Representatives reasonable access during normal business hours to the books and records pertaining to the Purchased Assets and Assumed Liabilities, for the purposes of (i) the preparation or amendment of Tax Returns, (ii) the determination of any matter

relating to the rights or obligations of the Sellers under this Agreement, or (iii) as is necessary to administer, or satisfy their obligations in connection with, the Cases. Buyer shall, and shall cause each of its controlled Affiliates to, cooperate with the Sellers as may reasonably be requested by the Sellers for such purposes. For the avoidance of doubt, nothing in this Section 6.3(b) shall require Buyer to take any such action if (i) such action may result in a waiver or breach of any attorney/client privilege, (ii) such action could reasonably be expected to result in violation of applicable Law or Order, or (iii) providing such access or information would be reasonably expected to be disruptive to its normal business operations. Unless otherwise consented to in writing by the Sellers, Buyer will not, for a period of three (3) years following the Closing Date, destroy, alter or otherwise dispose of any of the books and records without first offering to surrender to the Sellers such books and records or any portion thereof that Buyer may intend to destroy, alter or dispose of. From and after the Closing, Buyer will, and will cause its employees to, provide Sellers with reasonable assistance, support and cooperation with Sellers' wind-down and related activities (e.g., helping to locate documents or information related to preparation of Tax Returns or prosecution or processing of insurance/benefit claims).

(c) The information provided pursuant to this <u>Section 6.3</u> will be used solely for the purpose of consummating the transactions contemplated hereby, and will be governed by all the terms and conditions of <u>Section 12.19</u> of the Prepetition Financing Agreement. None of Sellers makes any representation or warranty as to the accuracy of any information, if any, provided pursuant to this <u>Section 6.3</u>, and Buyer may not rely on the accuracy of any such information, in each case, other than the Express Representations.

6.4 <u>Confidentiality</u>. From and after the Closing Date:

- (a) the Sellers will treat and hold as confidential all of the Confidential Information, and will not, directly or indirectly, without the prior written consent of Buyer, disclose or use any Confidential Information, except as required by Law. The Sellers' obligation not to disclose Confidential Information shall not apply to Confidential Information that it shall be required to disclose by Law; provided, however, that, prior to making such disclosure, the Sellers shall notify Buyer promptly to the extent not prohibited by Law so that Buyer may seek confidential treatment or protection of such Confidential Information at Buyer's sole cost and expense; and
- (b) in the event that the Sellers are required in any Proceeding to disclose any Confidential Information, the Sellers will notify Buyer promptly of the requirement to the extent not prohibited by Law so that Buyer may seek an appropriate protective order at Buyer's sole cost and expense or waive compliance with the provisions of this <u>Section 6.4</u>.
- 6.5 <u>Public Announcements</u>. From the Agreement Date, Buyer and the Sellers will consult with each other before issuing, and provide each other the reasonable opportunity to review and comment upon, any press release, any court filing or pleading filed with the Bankruptcy Court relating primarily to this Agreement or the Transactions, or other public statements with respect to the Transactions, and neither Buyer nor the Sellers shall issue any such press release or make any such public statement without the prior written approval of the other Party, in each case except as may be required by Law, or by obligations pursuant to any listing agreement with any national

securities exchange. Sellers shall use their respective commercially reasonable efforts to cause their respective Affiliates, employees, officers and directors to comply with this <u>Section 6.5</u>.

6.6 <u>Employment Matters</u>.

- (a) Prior to Closing, Buyer may in its sole discretion provide an offer of employment, including through a professional employer organization (the "PEO") or through one of Buyer's Affiliates, to each Business Employee who is actively employed by the Sellers as of such date, which offer shall provide for (i) a base salary or hourly wage rate that is no less favorable than the base salary provided to each such Business Employee immediately prior to the Closing, (ii) employee benefits that are comparable in the aggregate to those provided to each such Business Employee immediately prior to the Closing, and (iii) such other terms and conditions determined by Buyer in its sole discretion.
- (b) Following the Closing, Buyer shall, and shall cause the PEO and Buyer's Affiliates to, give each Hired Employee full credit for prior service with the Sellers for purposes of (i) eligibility and vesting under any health or welfare Benefit Plans of Buyer (for the avoidance of doubt, excluding defined benefit pension accruals, deferred compensation, or equity or equity-based incentive plans, or any plan under which such crediting would be prohibited), and (ii) determination of benefit levels under any employee benefit plans of Buyer, the PEO and its Affiliates relating to paid time off, in each case, for which the Hired Employee is otherwise eligible and in which the Hired Employee is offered participation, except where such credit would result in a duplication of benefits.
- (c) Without limiting the generality of Section 2.4 or anything else in this Agreement, each Seller shall retain responsibility for, and satisfy all Liabilities with respect to, all payments and benefits of the employees (and their spouses, dependents and beneficiaries, and all former employees, agents and representatives) and all claims under the Benefit Plans (other than any Assumed Benefit Plan). The Seller and Buyer shall work in good faith to transfer sponsorship of any Assumed Benefit Plan (including any third party insurance contracts or services agreements thereto) from Seller to Buyer or its Affiliates.
- (d) On or prior to the Closing Date, Buyer shall, or shall cause an Affiliate of the Buyer to, assume the sponsorship of each Benefit Plan set forth on Schedule 6.6(d) (each, an "Assumed Benefit Plan").
- Buyer and not for the benefit of any other Person, including any current or former employees of the Sellers or the Hired Employees, which Persons shall have no rights to enforce this Section 6.6. Nothing in this Section 6.6 shall: (i) entitle any Hired Employee to employment with Buyer; (ii) change such Hired Employee's status as an employee-at-will or restrict the ability of Buyer to terminate the service of any Hired Employee at any time or for any reason; (iii) create any third party rights in any current or former service provider of the Sellers (including any beneficiary or dependent thereof); or (iv) be treated as an amendment of any Benefit Plan or other employee benefit plan or arrangement or restrict the ability of Buyer, the Sellers or any of their respective Affiliates to amend, modify, discontinue or terminate any Benefit Plan or other employee benefit plan or arrangement.

6.7 Reasonable Efforts; Approvals.

- (a) Buyer and the Sellers will use reasonable best efforts to take, or cause to be taken, all actions and use reasonable best efforts to do, or cause to be done, and to assist and cooperate with the other Parties in doing, all things which are necessary, proper or advisable to consummate and make effective the Transactions including: (i) the transfer, modification or reissuance of all Permits, (ii) the obtaining or taking of all other necessary actions, non-actions or waivers from Governmental Entities and the making of all other necessary registrations and filings with Governmental Entities (including any Regulatory Authorizations), and (iii) the execution and delivery of any additional certificates, agreements, instruments, reports, schedules, statements, consents, documents and information necessary to consummate the Transactions. The covenants in this Section 6.7(a) shall survive the Closing.
- (b) In furtherance of the foregoing, Buyer and each Seller shall use its commercially reasonable efforts to obtain any consents and approvals from any third party other than a Governmental Entity that may be required in connection with the Transactions (the "Third Party Consents"). Without limiting the generality of the foregoing sentence, the Sellers shall not be required to compensate any applicable third party, commence or participate in any Proceeding or offer or grant any accommodation (financial or otherwise, including any accommodation or arrangement to indemnify, remain primarily, secondarily or contingently liable for any Assumed Liability) to any applicable third party in connection with the Sellers' obligations under this Section 6.7(b); provided, that the Sellers shall obtain the written consent of Buyer prior to any Seller paying any such compensation, commencing or participating in any Proceeding, or offering or granting any such accommodation. The covenants in this Section 6.7(b) shall survive the Closing.
- (c) The obligations of the Sellers pursuant to this <u>Section 6.7</u> shall be subject to any Orders entered, or approvals or authorizations granted or required, by or under the Bankruptcy Court or the Bankruptcy Code (including in connection with the Cases), the DIP Facility, and each of Sellers' obligations as a debtor-in-possession to comply with any Order of the Bankruptcy Court (including the Bidding Procedures Order and the Sale Order) and Sellers' duty to seek and obtain the highest or otherwise best price for the Acquired Assets as required by the Bankruptcy Code.
- (d) Promptly following the Closing, at Buyer's sole cost and expense, Sellers shall take such further actions and execute such further documents as may be necessary or reasonably requested by Buyer or Sellers to effectuate, evidence and perfect the assignment and transfer of the Owned Intellectual Property to Buyer, including making such filings with any Governmental Entities as may be required to transfer the Owned Intellectual Property to Buyer or to further the prosecution, issuance or maintenance of the Owned Intellectual Property.
- (e) This <u>Section 6.7</u> shall not apply to filings or consents under Antitrust Laws, which shall be governed by the obligations set forth in Section 6.12.
- 6.8 <u>Corporate Name Change</u>. Within forty-five (45) days following the Closing, each Seller shall deliver to Buyer a duly executed certificate of amendment to such Seller's certificate of incorporation or other Organizational Document which is required to change such Seller's corporate or other entity name to a new name that is not confusingly similar to such Seller's

present name and, in all cases, does not include the name "[Troika]", "[Converge]" or "[Lacuna]" so as to avoid confusion and to make each Seller's present name available to Buyer. Buyer and any Affiliate of Buyer are hereby authorized (but not obligated) to file such certificates or other documents (at Buyer's expense) with the applicable Governmental Entities in order to effectuate such change of name at or after the Closing as Buyer may elect.

6.9 Assignment of Contracts and Rights. To the maximum extent permitted by the Bankruptcy Code, the Purchased Assets of the Sellers shall be assumed and assigned to Buyer pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code as of the Closing Date or such other date as specified in the Sale Order or this Agreement, as applicable. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement to the contrary, this Agreement shall not constitute an agreement to assign any asset or any right thereunder if, after giving effect to the Sale Order, an attempted assignment without the consent of a third party (including any Governmental Entity) would constitute a breach or in any way adversely affect the rights of Buyer following the Closing. If, as of the Closing Date, such consent is not obtained or such assignment is not attainable pursuant to sections 105, 363 or 365 of the Bankruptcy Code other than as a result of the failure by the Buyer to pay or otherwise satisfy all Cure Amounts, then the Sellers and Buyer will, for a period of sixty (60) days following the Closing, cooperate in a mutually agreeable arrangement, to the extent feasible (without infringing upon the legal rights of any third party or violating any Law), under which Buyer would obtain the benefits and assume the obligations (to the extent otherwise constituting Assumed Liabilities hereunder) thereunder in accordance with this Agreement, including subcontracting, sublicensing or subleasing to Buyer, or under which the Sellers would enforce for the benefit of, and at the direction of, Buyer, with Buyer assuming all of the Sellers' obligations (to the extent constituting Assumed Liabilities hereunder), and any and all rights of the Sellers thereunder.

6.10 Tax Matters.

Subject to Section 2.3(h), all Transfer Taxes arising out of the transfer of the (a) Purchased Assets and any Transfer Taxes required to effect any recording or filing with respect thereto shall be borne by Buyer. The Transfer Taxes shall be calculated assuming that no exemption from Transfer Taxes is available, unless otherwise indicated in the Sale Order or, at Closing, the Sellers or Buyer, as appropriate, provide an appropriate resale exemption certificate or other evidence acceptable to Buyer or the Sellers, as appropriate, of exemption from such Transfer Taxes. The Sellers and Buyer shall cooperate to timely prepare and file any Tax Returns relating to such Transfer Taxes, including any claim for exemption or exclusion from the application or imposition of any Transfer Taxes. Each Party shall file all necessary documentation and returns that it is required by Law to file with respect to such Transfer Taxes when due, and shall promptly, following the filing thereof, furnish a copy of such return or other filing and a copy of a receipt showing payment of any such Transfer Tax to the other party. Each Party shall furnish or cause to be furnished to the other, upon request, as promptly as practicable, such information and assistance relating to the Purchased Assets and the Business as is reasonably necessary for filing of all Tax Returns, including any claim for exemption or exclusion from the application or imposition of any Taxes or making of any election related to Taxes, the preparation for any audit by any taxing authority and the prosecution or defense of any claim, suit or proceeding relating to any Tax Return.

- (b) Other than Transfer Taxes, all Liability for Taxes with respect to the Business or the Purchased Assets attributable to the Pre-Closing Tax Period shall be borne by the Sellers, and all Liability for Taxes with respect to the Purchased Assets attributable to the Post-Closing Tax Period shall be borne by Buyer. For purposes of this Agreement, with respect to Taxes attributable to any taxable year or other taxable period beginning on or before and ending after the Closing Date, the portion of any such Taxes allocated to a Pre-Closing Tax Period shall be: (i) in the case of Taxes based upon, or related to income, receipts, profits, or wages or imposed in connection with the sale, transfer or assignment of property, or required to be withheld, deemed equal to the amount which would be payable if such taxable year or other taxable period ended on the Closing Date, and (ii) in the case of other Taxes deemed to be the amount of such Taxes for the entire period multiplied by a fraction the numerator of which is the number of days in the period ending on the Closing Date and the denominator of which is the number of days in the entire period.
- (c) The Parties agree that the transfer of the Purchased Assets to the Buyer is intended to be treated as a taxable acquisition of assets and the Parties shall prepare and file all relevant U.S. federal income Tax Returns consistent with such intended treatment and Section 3.3, respectively, absent a contrary "determination" (within the meaning of Section 1313(a) of the Code).
- (d) The obligations set forth in this <u>Section 6.10</u> with respect to Taxes shall survive until the date that is thirty (30) days following the expiration of the applicable statute of limitations.
- 6.11 <u>Available Contracts List</u>. Sellers shall use commercially reasonable efforts to provide Buyer with a true and correct list of all Available Contracts (and copies thereof) promptly following the date hereof and in no event later thirty (30) days from the Agreement Date.

6.12 HSR Act; Antitrust Laws.

Sellers and Buyer shall, if required in connection with the transactions contemplated hereby, (i) promptly make the filings required by any Governmental Entity, including under the HSR Act or any other Antitrust Laws and, in any event, within ten (10) Business Days after the Agreement Date in the case of all filings required under the HSR Act and all other filings required by other Antitrust Laws, (ii) comply at the earliest practicable date with any request for additional information, documents or other materials received from any Governmental Entity, whether such request is formal or informal, (iii) cooperate with the other Parties in connection with resolving any investigation or other inquiry concerning the transactions contemplated by this Agreement commenced by any Governmental Entity, and (iv) cooperate with the other Parties in connection with any other Party's filing. Each Party shall be responsible for the payment of its respective fees and expenses, including legal fees and expenses, in complying with any request for additional information or documentary material from any Governmental Entity; provided that all filing fees required to be paid in connection with any filings hereunder shall be borne equally by Sellers and Buyer. Except where prohibited by applicable Law or any Governmental Entity, and subject to Section 6.4, each Party shall promptly inform the other Parties of any oral communication with, and provide copies of written communications with, any Governmental Entity regarding any such filing. No Party shall agree to participate in any formal meeting with

any Governmental Entity in respect of any such filings, investigation, or other inquiry without giving the other Parties prior notice of the meeting and, to the extent permitted by such Governmental Entity, the opportunity to attend and/or participate. Subject to applicable Laws and any Governmental Entity, the Parties will coordinate, consult and cooperate with one another in connection with any analyses, appearances, presentations, memoranda, briefs, arguments, opinions and proposals made or submitted by or on behalf of any Party relating to proceedings under the HSR Act or any other Antitrust Law, if any. Except where prohibited by applicable Law or any Governmental Entity, and subject to Section 6.4, the Parties will provide each other with copies of all correspondence, filings or communications, including any documents, information and data contained therewith, between them or any of their representatives, on the one hand, and any Governmental Entity or members of its staff, on the other hand, with respect to this Agreement and the transactions contemplated hereby.

(b) Buyer and each Seller shall use their respective reasonable best efforts to obtain any required approval from any Governmental Entity and to resolve such objections, if any, as may be asserted by any Governmental Entity with respect to the transactions contemplated by this Agreement under the HSR Act, the Sherman Act, as amended, the Clayton Act, as amended, the Federal Trade Commission Act, as amended, and any other United States federal or state or foreign Laws that are designed to prohibit, restrict or regulate actions having the purpose or effect of monopolization or restraint of trade (collectively, the "Antitrust Laws"). Buyer and each Seller shall use their respective reasonable best efforts to take such action as may be required to cause the expiration of the notice periods under the HSR Act or other Antitrust Laws with respect to such transactions as promptly as practicable after the execution of this Agreement.

ARTICLE VII BANKRUPTCY PROVISIONS

7.1 Expense Reimbursement. In consideration for Buyer having expended considerable time and expense in connection with this Agreement and the negotiation thereof and the identification and quantification of assets of the Sellers, if this Agreement is validly terminated for any reason other than Section 9.1(c)(i) or Section 9.1(c)(iii)(A), the Sellers shall pay Buyer, if approved by the Bankruptcy Court, in accordance with the terms of this Agreement (including Section 9.2) and the Bidding Procedures Order an aggregate amount equal to the Expense Reimbursement; provided, however, if this Agreement is terminated pursuant to Section 9.1(b)(vi), Section 9.1(b)(vii) or Section 9.1(c)(ii), any such Expense Reimbursement shall only be due and payable upon consummation of an Alternate Transaction from the proceeds of such Alternate Transaction. Each of the Parties acknowledges and agrees that the agreements contained in this Section 7.1 are an integral part of the Transactions and this Agreement and that the Expense Reimbursement is not a penalty, but rather is liquidated damages in a reasonable amount that will reasonably compensate Buyer in the circumstances in which such Expense Reimbursement is payable for the efforts and resources expended and opportunities foregone by Buyer while negotiating and pursuing the Transactions and this Agreement and in reasonable reliance on this Agreement and on the reasonable expectation of the consummation of the Transactions, which amount would otherwise be impossible to calculate with precision. In accordance with Section 7.3, Sellers shall file with and seek the entry by the Bankruptcy Court of the Bidding Procedures Order approving the payment of the Expense Reimbursement. If payment of the Expense Reimbursement is authorized and approved by the Bankruptcy Court in the Bidding Procedures Order, the claim

of Buyer in respect of the Expense Reimbursement shall constitute an allowed administrative expense claim against each of the Sellers under sections 503(b) and 507(a)(2) of the Bankruptcy Code in the Cases (without the need to file a proof of claim). The Expense Reimbursement shall be payable on a joint and several basis by the Sellers. For the avoidance of doubt, nothing herein shall limit the Administrative Agents' or Lenders' right to obtain reimbursement of their reasonable and documented out-of-pocket fees and expenses under the Interim DIP Order, Final DIP Order, DIP Documents or Loan Documents, all in accordance with the terms set forth therein.

7.2 Bankruptcy Court Orders and Related Matters.

- The Sellers and Buyer acknowledge that this Agreement and the Transactions are subject to entry of, as applicable, the Bidding Procedures Order and the Sale Order. In the event of any discrepancy between this Agreement and the Bidding Procedures Order and the Sale Order, the Bidding Procedures Order and the Sale Order shall govern. In the event the entry of the Sale Order or the Bidding Procedures Order is appealed, Sellers shall use commercially reasonable efforts to defend such appeal, and Buyer shall cooperate in such efforts. Buyer and Sellers acknowledge that Sellers must take reasonable steps to demonstrate that they have sought to obtain the highest or otherwise best offer for the Purchased Assets, including giving notice thereof to the creditors of Sellers and other interested parties, providing information about Sellers' business to prospective bidders, entertaining higher or otherwise better offers from such prospective bidders, and, in the event that additional qualified prospective bidders desire to bid for the Purchased Assets, conducting the Auction. Buyer agrees and acknowledges that Sellers and their Affiliates will be permitted, and will be permitted to cause their Representatives, to initiate contact with, solicit or encourage submission of any inquiries, proposals or offers by, respond to any unsolicited inquiries, proposals or offers submitted by, and enter into any discussions or negotiations regarding any of the foregoing with, any Person (in addition to Buyer and its Affiliates, agents and Representatives).
- (b) The bidding procedures to be employed with respect to this Agreement and the Auction will be those reflected in the Bidding Procedures Order.
- George Suyer shall take all actions as may be reasonably necessary to cause the Bidding Procedures Order and Sale Order to be issued, entered and become Final Orders, including furnishing affidavits, declarations or other documents or information for filing with the Bankruptcy Court; provided that the costs related to such actions shall be cover by Section 7.1 hereof. Buyer agrees that it will promptly take such actions as are reasonably requested by Sellers to assist in obtaining entry of the Bidding Procedures Order and Sale Order and a finding of adequate assurance of future performance by Buyer. Buyer will provide adequate evidence and assurance under the Bankruptcy Code of the future performance by Buyer of each Assumed Contract. Buyer will, and will cause its Affiliates to, reasonably promptly take all actions reasonably required or requested by Sellers to assist in obtaining a Bankruptcy Court finding that there has been an adequate demonstration of adequate assurance of future performance under the Assumed Contracts, such as furnishing affidavits, non-confidential financial information and other documents or information for filing with the Bankruptcy Court and making Buyer's Representatives available to testify before the Bankruptcy Court. Subject to the other terms and conditions of this Agreement, Buyer will, from and after the Closing Date, (i) assume all Liabilities

of Sellers under the Assumed Contracts and (ii) satisfy and perform all of the Liabilities related to each of the Assumed Contracts when the same are due thereunder.

- (d) The Sellers shall, consistent with their respective obligations as fiduciaries under the Bankruptcy Code, cooperate with Buyer concerning the Bidding Procedures Order, the Sale Order, and any other orders of the Bankruptcy Court relating to the Transactions. The Sellers shall give notice under the Bankruptcy Code of the request for the relief specified in the Bidding Procedures Motion to all creditors and parties in interest entitled to notice thereof pursuant to the Bidding Procedures Order, the Bankruptcy Code and the Bankruptcy Rules, including all Persons that have asserted Liens on any Seller's assets, and all non-debtor parties to the Available Contracts of the Sellers and other appropriate notice, including such additional notice as the Bankruptcy Court shall direct or as Buyer may reasonably request, and provide appropriate opportunity for hearing, to all parties entitled thereto, of all motions, orders, hearings, or other Proceedings in the Bankruptcy Court relating to this Agreement, the Transactions and the Bidding Procedures Motion.
- (e) The Sellers shall provide draft copies of all orders, motions, pleading, applications and other material documents they intend to file with the Bankruptcy Court in connection with the sale of the Purchased Assets or the Transactions not less than three (3) Business Days prior to the date when the Sellers plan to file such document (provided, that if the delivery of such drafts at least three (3) Business Days is not reasonably practicable, such drafts shall be delivered to Buyer as soon as reasonable practicable prior to filing). The form and substance of any such document hereunder shall be mutually acceptable to Sellers and Buyer (provided that no party shall unreasonably withhold, condition or delay its consent).
- (f) Subject to the Sellers exercising their rights pursuant to this Section 7.2, the Sellers shall not, and shall cause their subsidiaries not to, take any action that is intended to result in, or fail to take any action that is intended to result in, or fail to take any action the intent of which failure to act would reasonably be expected to result in, the reversal, voiding, modification or staying of the Bidding Procedures Order or, if applicable, if Buyer is the prevailing bidder at the Auction, the Sale Order. The Sellers shall, and shall cause their subsidiaries to, comply with the Bidding Procedures Order and the Sale Order.
- (g) For the avoidance of doubt, nothing in this Agreement will restrict Sellers or their Affiliates from selling, disposing of or otherwise transferring any Excluded Assets (other than Available Contracts, which the Sellers may not terminate, amend or otherwise dispose of, or reject in the Cases, without Buyer's consent) or from settling, delegating or otherwise transferring any Excluded Liabilities, in each case, with the approval of the Bankruptcy Court, or from entering into discussions or agreements with respect to the foregoing.
- 7.3 <u>Bankruptcy Milestones</u>. The Sellers shall use their reasonable best efforts to achieve the following milestones by the dates set forth below (or such later date as may be agreed by Buyer) (collectively, the "<u>Bankruptcy Milestones</u>"):
- (a) On the Petition Date, the Debtors shall file a motion with the Bankruptcy Court seeking approval of the DIP Facility.

- (b) On the Petition Date, the Debtors shall have filed the Bidding Procedures Motion with the Bankruptcy Court.
- (c) On or before the date that is four (4) days after the Petition Date, the Bankruptcy Court shall have entered the Interim DIP Order.
- (d) On or before the date that is thirty (30) days after the Petition Date, the Bankruptcy Court shall have entered the Bidding Procedures Order and the Final DIP Order.
- (e) On or before the date that is fifty-eight (58) days after the Petition Date, the Bid Deadline (as defined in the Bidding Procedures Order) shall have occurred.
- (f) On or before the date that is sixty-five (65) days after the Petition Date, the Debtors shall have commenced the Auction, if necessary.
- (g) On or before the date that is seventy (70) days after the Petition Date, the Bankruptcy Court shall have entered the Sale Order.
- (h) On or before the date that is seventy-five (75) days after the Petition Date, the Closing shall have occurred.

ARTICLE VIII CONDITIONS TO OBLIGATIONS OF THE PARTIES

- 8.1 <u>Conditions Precedent to Obligations of Buyer</u>. The obligation of Buyer to consummate the Transactions is subject to the satisfaction (or waiver by Buyer in Buyer's sole discretion) on or prior to the Closing Date of each of the following conditions:
- (a) Accuracy of Representations and Warranties. The representations and warranties of the Sellers contained in Section 4.1 (Organization and Good Standing), Section 4.2 (Power and Authority), Section 4.13 (Financial Advisors) and Section 4.16 (Tax Matters) shall be true and correct on the date hereof and on and as of the Closing Date, with the same force and effect as though such representations and warranties had been made on and as of the Closing Date (except to the extent that any such representation or warranty is expressly made as of a specified date). All other representations and warranties of the Sellers contained in Article IV shall be true and correct on the date hereof and as of the Closing Date (except to the extent that any such representation or warranty is expressly made as of a specified date), except where the failure of any such representations or warranties to be true and correct (without giving effect to any limitations to "material" or "Material Adverse Effect"), either individually or in the aggregate, has resulted in or would reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.
- (b) <u>Performance of Obligations</u>. Each of the Sellers shall have performed in all material respects all obligations and agreements contained in this Agreement required to be performed by it on or prior to the Closing Date.
- (c) [Third Party Consents. The Sellers shall have obtained all consents and approvals set forth in Schedule 8.1(c).]

- (d) <u>DIP Financing</u>. The DIP Documents shall have each been approved by the Bankruptcy Court pursuant to the Final DIP Order, which shall be in form and substance acceptable to Buyer.
- (e) <u>No Material Adverse Effect</u>. There shall have been no Material Adverse Effect from the Agreement Date through the Closing Date.
- (f) No Challenges to Credit Bid. As of the expiration of the Challenge Period (as defined in the Interim DIP Order), there shall be no pending challenge or contest to the validity, amount, perfection or priority of the DIP Documents, the Loan Documents or other Claims of Buyer or Administrative Agents (as applicable) thereunder that would prevent Buyer's credit bid, unless any such challenge or contest shall have been resolved to the reasonable satisfaction of Buyer in its sole discretion.
- (g) <u>Deliverables</u>. The Sellers shall have delivered, or caused to be delivered, to Buyer each deliverable required pursuant to <u>Section 3.1(b)</u>.
- (h) <u>Bidding Procedures Order</u>. The Bankruptcy Court shall have entered the Bidding Procedures Order, which Order shall have become a Final Order.
- (i) <u>Sale Order</u>. The Bankruptcy Court shall have entered the Sale Order, which Order shall have become a Final Order.
 - (j) <u>CMS MSA</u>. The CMS MSA shall be effective in accordance with its terms.
- 8.2 <u>Conditions Precedent to the Obligations of the Sellers</u>. The obligation of the Sellers to consummate the Transactions is subject to the satisfaction (or waiver by the Sellers) at or prior to the Closing Date of each of the following conditions:
- (a) Accuracy of Representations and Warranties. The representations of Buyer contained in Section 5.1 (Organization and Good Standing), Section 5.2 (Power and Authority) and Section 5.6 (Financial Advisors) shall be true and correct on the date hereof and on and as of the Closing Date, with the same force and effect as though such representations and warranties had been made on and as of the Closing Date (except to the extent that any such representation or warranty is expressly made as of a specified date). All other representations and warranties contained in Article V shall be true and correct on the date hereof and as of the Closing Date (except to the extent that any such representation or warranty is expressly made as of a specified date), except where the failure of any such representations or warranties to be true and correct (without giving effect to any limitations to "material" or similar qualifier), either individually or in the aggregate, has resulted in or would reasonably be expected to have an adverse effect on Buyer's ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement in any material respect.
- (b) <u>Performance of Obligations</u>. Buyer shall have performed in all material respects all obligations and agreements contained in this Agreement required to be performed by it prior to or on the Closing Date.
- (c) <u>Deliverables</u>. Buyer shall have delivered to the Sellers each deliverable required pursuant to <u>Section 3.1(c)</u>.

- (d) <u>Bidding Procedures Order</u>. The Bankruptcy Court shall have entered the Bidding Procedures Order, which Order shall have become a Final Order.
- (e) <u>Sale Order</u>. The Bankruptcy Court shall have entered the Sale Order, which Order shall have become a Final Order.
- 8.3 Conditions Precedent to Obligations of Buyer and the Sellers. The respective obligations of Buyer and the Sellers to consummate the Transactions are subject to the fulfillment, on or prior to the Closing Date, of the condition (which may be waived by the Parties in whole or in part to the extent permitted by applicable Law) that (a) no provision of any applicable Law or Order enacted, entered, promulgated, enforced or issued by any Governmental Entity shall be in effect that prevents, renders illegal or otherwise prohibits the sale and purchase of the Purchased Assets or any of the other Transactions, and (b) the waiting period applicable to the transactions contemplated by this Agreement under the HSR Act and any other applicable Antitrust Laws, if required, shall have expired or early termination shall have been granted.
- 8.4 <u>Frustration of Closing Conditions</u>. Upon the occurrence of the Closing, any condition set forth in <u>Article VIII</u> that was not satisfied as of the Closing will be deemed to have been waived for all purposes by the Party having the benefit of such condition as of and after the Closing. Neither the Sellers nor Buyer may rely on the failure of any condition to their respective obligations to consummate the Transactions set forth in <u>Section 8.1</u>, <u>Section 8.2</u> or <u>Section 8.3</u>, as the case may be, to be satisfied if such failure was caused by such Party's failure to comply with or breach of any provision of this Agreement.

ARTICLE IX TERMINATION

- 9.1 <u>Termination of Agreement</u>. This Agreement may be terminated and the Transactions abandoned at any time prior to the Closing:
 - (a) by written agreement of the Sellers and Buyer.
 - (b) by Buyer, if:
 - (i) any Bankruptcy Milestone is not timely satisfied in accordance with <u>Section</u> 7.3;
 - (ii) there shall have been a breach by the Sellers of any of their representations, warranties, covenants or agreements contained in this Agreement, which breach would result in the failure to satisfy one or more of the conditions set forth in Section 8.1, and such breach shall be incapable of being cured or, if capable of being cured, shall not have been cured by the earlier of (A) 120 days (or such later date as the Parties may agree upon in writing, the "Outside Date") or twenty (20) Business Days after written notice thereof shall have been received by the Sellers, provided that the right to terminate this Agreement pursuant to this Section 9.1(b)(ii) will not be available to Buyer at any time that Buyer is in material breach of any covenant, representation or warranty hereunder;

- (iii) the Cases are (A) converted to cases under chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code or (B) dismissed prior to the Closing;
- (iv) a Chapter 11 trustee or examiner is appointed under section 1104 of the Bankruptcy Code;
- (v) there has occurred and is continuing an Event of Default (as defined in the DIP Documents) under the DIP Documents;
 - (vi) Buyer is not the winning bidder at the Auction;
- (vii) any Seller enters into a definitive agreement with respect to an Alternate Transaction or an Order of the Bankruptcy Court or other court of competent jurisdiction is entered approving an Alternate Transaction;
 - (viii) the Closing shall not have occurred by the Outside Date;
- (ix) any of Grant Lyon, Eric Glover, Michael Carrano and Maarten Terry shall cease to be involved in the day to day operations and management of the business of the Sellers, and a successor reasonably acceptable to the Buyer is not appointed on terms reasonably acceptable to the Buyer within ten (10) Business Days of such cessation of involvement; or
- (x) The CMS MSA is terminated in accordance with its terms or either party thereto is in material breach of such agreement.
 - (c) by the Sellers, if:
- (i) there shall have been a breach by Buyer of any of its representations, warranties, covenants or agreements contained in this Agreement, which breach would result in the failure to satisfy one or more of the conditions set forth in <u>Section 8.2</u>, and such breach shall be incapable of being cured or, if capable of being cured, shall not have been cured within the earlier of (A) Outside Date or (B) twenty (20) Business Days after written notice thereof shall have been received by Buyer;
- (ii) any Seller enters into a definitive agreement with respect to an Alternate Transaction that is a Competing Qualified Bid, or an Order of the Bankruptcy Court or other court of competent jurisdiction is entered approving an Alternate Transaction that is a Competing Qualified Bid; or
- (iii) (A) (i) all of the conditions set forth in <u>Sections 8.1</u> and <u>8.3</u> are satisfied or waived by Buyer as of the Closing Date (other than those conditions that, by their nature, can only be satisfied as of the Closing Date, but which would be satisfied as of the Closing Date); (ii) Sellers have irrevocably notified Buyer in writing that (A) they are ready, willing and able to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, and (B) all conditions set forth in <u>Section 8.2</u> have been satisfied (other than those conditions that, by their nature, can only be satisfied as of the Closing Date, but which would be satisfied as of the Closing Date) or that they are willing to irrevocably waive any unsatisfied conditions

set forth in Section 8.2; (iii) Sellers have given Buyer written notice at least two (2) Business Days prior to such termination stating Sellers' intention to terminate this Agreement pursuant to this Section 9.1(c)(iii); and (iv) Buyer does not provide, or cause to be provided, Sellers with sufficient funds to complete the transactions contemplated by this Agreement at the time which the Closing should have occurred by the expiration of the two (2) Business Day period contemplated by clause (iii) hereof or (B) if Sellers or the board of directors (or similar governing body) of any Seller determine in good faith that proceeding with the transaction contemplated by this Agreement would violate Law or be inconsistent with their fiduciary obligations.

(d) by either Buyer or the Sellers, if any Governmental Entity shall have enacted or issued a Law or Order or taken other action permanently restraining, prohibiting or enjoining any of the Parties from consummating the Transactions; provided that the right to terminate this Agreement pursuant to this <u>Section 9.1(d)</u> will not be available to any party at any time that such party is in material breach of any covenant, representation or warranty hereunder.

9.2 Consequences of Termination.

- (a) If either Buyer, on the one hand, or Sellers, on the other hand, desire to terminate this Agreement pursuant to Section 9.1, such Party (or Parties, as applicable) shall give written notice of such termination to the other Parties. Upon delivery of such notice of termination, this Agreement will become void and have no further force and effect and all further obligations of the Parties to each other under this Agreement will terminate without further obligation or liability of the Parties.
- (b) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, if the Agreement is terminated pursuant to Section 9.1(b)(vi), Section 9.1(b)(vii), Section 9.1(c)(iii), or Section 9.1(c)(iii)(B) then Buyer shall be entitled to payment of the Expense Reimbursement, if approved by the Bankruptcy Court, upon consummation of an Alternate Transaction from the proceeds of such Alternate Transaction.
- (c) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, if this Agreement is terminated for any reason other than pursuant to Section 9.1(b)(vi), Section 9.1(b)(vii) or Section 9.1(c), then Buyer shall be entitled to payment of the Expense Reimbursement, if approved by the Bankruptcy Court, no later than five (5) Business Days following such termination.
- (d) Notwithstanding the foregoing set forth in this <u>Section 9.2</u>, <u>Section 1.1</u> (Defined Terms), <u>Section 6.5</u> (Public Announcements), <u>Section 7.1</u> (Expense Reimbursement), this <u>Section 9.2</u> (Consequences of Termination) and <u>Article X</u> (Miscellaneous) shall survive any termination of this Agreement.
- (e) Nothing in this <u>Section 9.2</u> shall relieve Buyer or the Sellers of any liability for an intentional breach of this Agreement prior to the date of termination.

ARTICLE X MISCELLANEOUS

- 10.1 <u>Expenses</u>. Except as set forth in this Agreement, the Credit Documents or the Sale Order, and whether or not the Transactions are consummated, each Party shall bear all costs and expenses incurred or to be incurred by such Party in connection with this Agreement and the consummation of the Transactions.
- 10.2 <u>Assignment</u>. Neither this Agreement nor any of the rights or obligations hereunder may be assigned by Sellers without the prior written consent of Buyer, or by Buyer without the prior written consent of Sellers; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that Buyer may assign any or all of its rights and/or liabilities hereunder (or any document delivered by Buyer pursuant hereto) to one or more Affiliates of Buyer, or to any party which has received a contribution of the outstanding balance under the Prepetition Financing Agreement equal to the Credit Bid Amount, in the aggregate, which assignment shall not relieve Buyer of its obligations hereunder. Subject to the foregoing, this Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Parties and their respective successors and permitted assigns; <u>provided</u>, <u>further</u>, that Sellers may transfer or assign such rights and obligations under this Agreement to a liquidation trust or similar vehicle under a confirmed chapter 11 plan of liquidation in the Cases.
- 10.3 Parties in Interest. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure solely to the benefit of the Sellers and Buyer, and nothing in this Agreement, express or implied, is intended to or shall confer upon any other Person any rights, benefits or remedies of any nature whatsoever under or by reason of this Agreement except as expressly set forth herein. Without limiting the foregoing, no direct or indirect holder of any equity interests or securities of either the Sellers or Buyer (whether such holder is a limited or general partner, member, stockholder or otherwise), nor any Affiliate of either the Sellers or Buyer, nor any Representative, or controlling Person of each of the Parties and their respective Affiliates, shall have any liability or obligation arising under this Agreement or the Transactions.

10.4 Matters Related to the Administrative Agents.

(a) Each of the Parties acknowledges and agrees that none of the Sellers' title to, control of or possession of any of the Purchased Assets, or any of the Sellers' obligations in respect of any of the Assumed Liabilities, shall be transferred to or assumed by the Administrative Agents. Each Seller and Buyer, on behalf of itself and its respective Affiliates, acknowledges and agrees that neither the Administrative Agents nor any of their Affiliates (other than Buyer) shall have any Liability in the event of any breach by Buyer or any Seller of any of its representations, warranties, covenants, obligations or other agreements under this Agreement, including its obligations to consummate the Transactions in accordance with the terms of any document contemplated by this Agreement, other than as a result of or arising out of either the DIP Agent or the Prepetition Agent's intentional fraud or willful misconduct. Each Seller and Buyer, on behalf of itself and its respective Affiliates, further acknowledges and agrees that neither the Prepetition Agent, the DIP Agent, nor any of their Affiliates (other than Buyer) shall in any way be deemed to be attributed or otherwise responsible for any of the representations, warranties, covenants, obligations or other agreements of Buyer or the Sellers under any document contemplated by this Agreement, including any obligation of Buyer or the Sellers hereunder to make payments of any

kind, provide written approvals or make deliveries. Each Seller and Buyer, on behalf of itself and its respective Affiliates, further acknowledges and agrees that neither the Prepetition Agent, the DIP Agent, nor any of their Affiliates shall have any Liability or other obligation in respect of any action taken or not taken by the Prepetition Agent or the DIP Agent in connection with any document contemplated by this Agreement, other than as a result of or arising out of the Prepetition Agent's or DIP Agent's intentional fraud or willful misconduct. Each Seller and Buyer, on behalf of itself and its respective Affiliates, further acknowledges and agrees that Buyer, and neither the Prepetition Agent nor the DIP Agent, has negotiated the terms of the purchase set forth herein, including the assets being purchased, the Liabilities being assumed, the Purchase Price and all the terms of this Agreement relating to the purchase by Buyer, and neither the Prepetition Agent nor the DIP Agent shall bear any responsibility and incur no Liability whatsoever to any Person solely by virtue of being a Party.

- 10.5 Risk of Loss. The Sellers will bear all risk of loss occurring to or upon any portion of the Purchased Assets prior to the Closing Date. In the event that any material portion of any Purchased Assets is damaged or destroyed prior to Closing Date, then, with respect to such Purchased Assets, Buyer may, at Buyer's option, either (i) proceed to close notwithstanding the damage or destruction of such Purchased Assets or (ii) exclude such Purchased Assets, in which event Buyer shall have no obligation to close if as a consequence of the exclusion of such Purchased Assets any condition to Closing in Section 8.1 would not be satisfied unless such loss is covered by insurance or cause of action against a third-party. If Buyer closes notwithstanding an unrepaired or unrestored loss to a Purchased Asset, the Sellers will deliver and/or assign to Buyer any insurance proceeds actually received by the Sellers with respect to such damage or destruction, and all claims against third parties relating thereto.
- 10.6 <u>Notices</u>. All notices, demands, requests, waivers, consents, approvals or other communications (collectively, "<u>Notices</u>") required or permitted to be given hereunder or that are given with respect to this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be personally served, delivered by a nationally recognized overnight delivery service with charges prepaid, or transmitted by hand delivery or electronic mail, addressed as set forth below, or to such other address as such Party shall have specified most recently by written Notice. Notice shall be deemed given on the date of service or transmission if personally served or transmitted by electronic mail with confirmation of receipt (excluding "out of office" or similar automated replies); <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that, if delivered or transmitted on a day other than a Business Day (or if transmitted by electronic mail after 5:00 pm Eastern Time), notice shall be deemed given on the next Business Day. Notice otherwise sent as provided herein shall be deemed given on the next Business Day following timely deposit of such Notice with an overnight delivery service:

If to the Sellers: Troika Media Group, Inc.

25 West 39th Street, 6th Floor

New York, NY 10018

<u>Attention</u>: Derek McKinney, General Counsel <u>Email</u>: dmckinney@troikamedia.com

With a copy to: Willkie Farr & Gallagher LLP

787 Seventh Avenue New York, NY 10019 Attention: Brian Lennon;

Maurice Lefkort; Hugh McLaughlin

Email: blennon@willkie.com,

mlefkort@willkie.com, hmclaughlin@willkie.com

If to Buyer or

Administrative Agents: Blue Torch Finance LLC

c/o Blue Torch Capital LP 150 East 58th Street, 39th Floor

New York, NY 10155

Email: BlueTorchAgency@alterdomus.com

With a copy to: King & Spalding LLP

1185 Avenue of the Americas, 34th Floor

New York, NY 10036

Attention: Roger G. Schwartz

Timothy M. Fesenmyer

Email: rschwartz@kslaw.com

tfesenmyer@kslaw.com

Rejection of or refusal to accept any Notice, or the inability to deliver any Notice because of changed address of which no Notice was given, shall be deemed to be receipt of the Notice as of the date of such rejection, refusal or inability to deliver.

- Entire Agreement; Amendments and Waivers. This Agreement and all agreements entered into pursuant hereto and thereto and all certificates and instruments delivered pursuant hereto and thereto constitute the entire agreement between the Parties pertaining to the subject matter hereof and supersede all prior agreements, understandings, negotiations, and discussions, whether oral or written, of the Parties; provided, that nothing herein shall modify or alter the terms, rights or obligations of the Administrative Agents, the Lenders or the Sellers under the Prepetition Loan Documents or the DIP Documents prior to Closing. This Agreement may be amended, supplemented or modified, and any of the terms, covenants, representations, warranties or conditions may be waived, only by a written instrument executed by Buyer and Sellers, or in the case of a waiver, by the Party waiving compliance. No waiver of any of the provisions of this Agreement shall be deemed or shall constitute a waiver of any other provision hereof (whether or not similar), and no such waiver shall constitute a continuing waiver unless otherwise expressly provided. No failure on the part of any Party to exercise, and no delay in exercising, any right, power or remedy hereunder shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of such right, power or remedy by such Party preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right, power or remedy.
- 10.8 <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, and all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument. Counterparts to this Agreement may be delivered via electronic delivery, "pdf" or facsimile. In proving this Agreement, it shall not be necessary to produce or account for more than one such counterpart signed by the Party against whom enforcement is sought.

- 10.9 <u>Invalidity</u>. If any one or more of the provisions contained in this Agreement or in any other instrument referred to herein, shall, for any reason, be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect, the Parties shall negotiate in good faith to modify this Agreement, to ensure that this Agreement shall reflect as closely as practicable the intent of the Parties on the date hereof. If the final judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction or other Governmental Entity declares that any term or provision hereof is invalid, illegal or unenforceable, the Parties agree that the court making such determination will have the power to reduce the scope, duration, area or applicability of the term or provision, to delete specific words or phrases, or to replace any invalid, illegal or unenforceable term or provision with a term or provision that is valid, legal and enforceable and that comes closest to expressing the intention of the invalid, illegal or unenforceable term or provision.
- 10.10 Governing Law. This Agreement, and any Proceeding that may be based upon, arise out of or relate or be incidental to the Transactions, this Agreement, the negotiation, execution, performance or consummation of the foregoing or the inducement of any Party to enter into the foregoing, whether for breach of Contract, tortious conduct or otherwise, and whether now existing or hereafter arising (each, a "Transaction Dispute"), will be exclusively governed by and construed and enforced in accordance with the internal Laws of the State of New York without giving effect to any Law or rule that would cause the Laws of any jurisdiction other than the State of New York to be applied, except to the extent that such Laws are superseded by the Bankruptcy Code.

10.11 Dispute Resolution; Consent to Jurisdiction.

Without limiting any Party's right to appeal any order of the Bankruptcy (a) Court, (i) the Bankruptcy Court shall retain exclusive jurisdiction to enforce the terms of this Agreement and to decide any Transaction Dispute, and (ii) any and all proceedings related to the foregoing shall be filed and maintained only in the Bankruptcy Court, and the Parties hereby consent to and submit to the jurisdiction and venue of the Bankruptcy Court and shall receive notices at such locations as indicated in Section 10.6; provided, however, upon the closing of the Cases (except for any matter(s) with respect to the Sellers and/or the Cases in which the Bankruptcy Court retains jurisdiction with respect to such matter with respect to Sellers and/or the Cases), or if the Bankruptcy Court is unwilling or unable to hear such Transaction Dispute, then, the Parties agree to unconditionally and irrevocably submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York sitting in the County of New York or the courts of the State of New York sitting in county of New York and any appellate court from any thereof, for the resolution of any such Transaction Dispute. In that context, and without limiting the generality of the foregoing, each Party irrevocably and unconditionally: (i) submits for itself and its property to the exclusive jurisdiction of such courts with respect to any Transaction Dispute and for recognition and enforcement of any judgment in respect thereof, and agrees that all claims in respect of any Transaction Dispute shall be heard and determined in such courts; (ii) agrees that venue would be proper in such courts, and waives any objection that it may now or hereafter have that any such court is an improper or inconvenient forum for the resolution of any Transaction Dispute; and (iii) agrees that Notice demand in accordance with Section 10.6, will be effective service of process; provided, however, that nothing herein will be deemed to prevent a Party from making service of process by any means authorized by the Laws of the State of New York.

- (b) The foregoing consent to jurisdiction will not constitute submission to jurisdiction or general consent to service of process in the State of New York for any purpose except with respect to any Transaction Dispute.
- 10.12 <u>WAIVER OF RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY</u>. EACH PARTY HEREBY WAIVES TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW ANY RIGHT THEY MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN RESPECT OF ANY PROCEEDING IN CONNECTION WITH A TRANSACTION DISPUTE.
- 10.13 Specific Performance. Each Party acknowledges and agrees that the other Party would be damaged irreparably in the event that a Party does not perform its obligations under this Agreement in accordance with its specific terms or otherwise breaches this Agreement, so that, in addition to any other remedy that Buyer or the Sellers may have under law or equity, each Party shall be entitled to injunctive relief to prevent any breaches of the provisions of this Agreement by the other Parties and to enforce specifically this Agreement and the terms and provisions hereof.
- 10.14 <u>Third Party Beneficiaries</u>. Nothing in this Agreement, express or implied, is intended to confer upon any other Person any rights or remedies of any nature under or by reason of this Agreement, except as expressly provided herein, including Section 10.17.
- 10.15 <u>Counting</u>. If the due date for any action to be taken under this Agreement (including the delivery of Notices) is not a Business Day, then such action shall be considered timely taken if performed on or prior to the next Business Day following such due date.
- 10.16 <u>Survival</u>. Except as expressly set forth in this Agreement to the contrary, all representations and warranties and covenants of Buyer and the Sellers, respectively, contained in this Agreement or in any document delivered pursuant hereto shall not survive the Closing Date and thereafter shall be of no further force and effect. Notwithstanding the foregoing, all covenants and agreements set forth in this Agreement, which by their terms would require performance after the Closing Date, shall survive until fully performed or until such covenant or agreement expires by its terms.
- 10.17 Non-Recourse. All claims, Liabilities, Proceedings, or causes of action (whether in contract or in tort, in law or in equity, or granted by statute) that may be based upon, in respect of, arise under, out or by reason of, be connected with, or relate in any manner to a Transaction Dispute, may be made only against (and are expressly limited to) the entities that are expressly identified as parties hereto in the preamble to this Agreement or, if applicable, their permitted assignees (collectively, the "Contracting Parties"). No Person who is not a Contracting Party, including any past, present or future director, officer, employee, incorporator, member, partner, manager, equityholder, Affiliate, agent, attorney, or representative of, and any financial advisor or lender to, any Contracting Party (other than the Persons listed on Schedule 10.17), or any director, officer, employee, incorporator, member, partner, manager, equityholder, Affiliate, agent, attorney, or representative of, and any financial advisor or lender to, any of the foregoing (collectively, the "Non-Recourse Persons"), shall have any Liability (whether in contract or in tort, in law or in equity, or granted by statute) for any claims, Liabilities, or causes of action, arising under, out of, in connection with, or related in any manner to a Transaction Dispute; and, to the

maximum extent permitted by Law, each Contracting Party hereby waives and releases all such claims, Liabilities, and causes of action, against any such Non-Recourse Persons.

- 10.18 Preparation of this Agreement. Buyer and the Sellers hereby acknowledge that (a) Buyer and the Sellers jointly and equally participated in the drafting of this Agreement and all other agreements contemplated hereby, (b) Buyer and the Sellers have been adequately represented and advised by legal counsel with respect to this Agreement and the Transactions, and (c) no presumption shall be made that any provision of this Agreement shall be construed against either Party by reason of such role in the drafting of this Agreement and any other agreement contemplated hereby.
- 10.19 Releases. Effective as of the Closing, each of the Sellers on their own behalf and on behalf of their past, present, and future predecessors, successors and assigns hereby unconditionally, irrevocably, and fully forever release, remise, acquit, relinquish, irrevocably waive, and discharge, in their capacity as purchaser of the Purchased Assets, the Buyer, Administrative Agent and the Lenders, and each of their respective former, current or future officers, employees, directors, agents, representatives, owners, members, partners, financial advisors, legal advisors, shareholders, managers, consultants, accountants, attorneys, affiliates, assigns, and predecessors in interest, each in their capacity as such, of and from any and all Claims, demands, liabilities, responsibilities, disputes, remedies, causes of action, indebtedness and obligations, rights, assertions, allegations, actions, suits, controversies, proceedings, losses, damages, injuries, attorneys' fees, costs, expenses, or judgments of every type, whether known, unknown, asserted, unasserted, suspected, unsuspected, accrued, unaccrued, fixed, contingent, pending, or threatened, including all legal and equitable theories of recovery, arising under common law, statute, or regulation or by contract, of every nature and description that exist on the date hereof with respect to or relating to this Agreement and the Transaction, in each case, in connection with any event, conduct or circumstance occurring on or prior to the Closing.
- 10.20 Schedules. The Sellers' Disclosure Schedules have been arranged for purposes of convenience in separately numbered sections corresponding to the sections of this Agreement; provided that each section of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedules will be deemed to incorporate by reference all information disclosed in any other section of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedules, and any disclosure in the such Seller's Disclosure Schedules will be deemed a disclosure against any representation or warranty set forth in this Agreement. Capitalized terms used in the Sellers' Disclosure Schedules and not otherwise defined therein have the meanings given to them in this Agreement. The specification of any dollar amount or the inclusion of any item in the representations and warranties contained in this Agreement, the Sellers' Disclosure Schedules or the attached exhibits is not intended to imply that the amounts, or higher or lower amounts, or the items so included, or other items, are or are not required to be disclosed (including whether such amounts or items are required to be disclosed as material or threatened) or are within or outside of the Ordinary Course of Business, and no Party will use the fact of the setting of the amounts or the fact of the inclusion of any item in this Agreement, the Sellers' Disclosure Schedules or exhibits in any dispute or controversy between the Parties as to whether any obligation, item or matter not set forth or included in this Agreement, the Sellers' Disclosure Schedules or exhibits is or is not required to be disclosed (including whether the amount or items are required to be disclosed as material or threatened) or are within or outside of the Ordinary Course of Business. In addition, matters reflected in the Sellers' Disclosure Schedules are not necessarily limited to matters

required by this Agreement to be reflected in the Sellers' Disclosure Schedules. Such additional matters are set forth for informational purposes only and do not necessarily include other matters of a similar nature. No information set forth in the Sellers' Disclosure Schedules will be deemed to broaden in any way the scope of the Parties' representations and warranties. Any description of any agreement, document, instrument, plan, arrangement or other item set forth on any Sellers' Disclosure Schedule is qualified in its entirety by the terms of such agreement, document, instrument, plan, arrangement, or item which terms will be deemed disclosed for all purposes of this Agreement. The information contained in this Agreement, in the Sellers' Disclosure Schedules and exhibits hereto is disclosed solely for purposes of this Agreement, and no information contained herein or therein will be deemed to be an admission by any Party to any third party of any matter whatsoever, including any violation of Law or breach of Contract.

- 10.21 <u>Fiduciary Obligation</u>. Nothing in this Agreement, or any document related to the transactions contemplated hereby, will require any Seller or any of their respective directors, managers, officers or members, in each case, in their capacity as such, to take any action, or to refrain from taking any action, that the board of directors or managers (or other governing body) of such Seller has determined, in good faith after consultation with legal counsel and independent financial advisors, would be a violation of such Person's fiduciary obligations or applicable Law. For the avoidance of doubt, Sellers retain the right to pursue any transaction or restructuring strategy that, in Sellers' business judgment, will maximize the value of their estates.
- 10.22 Escrow Funds and Related Settlement Agreements. Sellers anticipate entry into settlement agreements prior to the Closing Date with each of the Converge Sellers resulting in the release of Escrow Funds in the aggregate amount of up to \$7,913,236.00 (the "Estate Escrow Funds"). The funding of the Incremental Wind Down Reserve Amount is contingent on the Sellers' receipt of 100% of the Estate Escrow Funds. If the entirety of the Estate Escrow Funds is not released to the Sellers prior to the Closing Date, the Wind Down Reserve shall remain \$400,000, and the Incremental Wind Down Reserve Amount shall not be funded until 100% of the Estate Escrow Funds are released to the Debtors. To the extent the Estate Escrow Funds are not released prior to the Closing Date, the Sellers' interests in the Escrow Account and Escrow Funds shall remain subject to the Adequate Protection Liens and Prepetition Liens pursuant to Paragraph 47 of the Final DIP Order, and the Debtors shall remit to the Prepetition Agent the Estate Escrow Funds less the Incremental Wind Down Reserve Amount in accordance with Paragraph 47 of the DIP Order upon receipt.
- 10.23 <u>Seller Avoidance Actions and Other Causes of Action</u>. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth herein, at any time prior to the Closing Date, the Buyer may designate all or certain Avoidance Actions or rights, claims or causes of actions of the Sellers as set forth in <u>Section 2.1(d)</u> hereof as Excluded Assets by providing written notice (including e-mail) to the Sellers or their counsel.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by the duly authorized officers of the Sellers, Buyer and the Administrative Agent as of the date first above written.

<u>SELLERS</u> :
Troika Media Group, Inc.
By:Name: Title:
Troika Production Group, LLC
By:Name: Title:
Troika-Mission Holdings, Inc.
By:
Troika IO, Inc.
By:
MissionCulture LLC
By:
Mission Media USA, Inc.
By:Name: Title:

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Troika Services, Inc.
By:
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Commongo Dinest LLC
Converge Direct, LLC
By:
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Converge Direct Interactive, LLC
By:
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Lacuna Ventures, LLC
By:
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Troika Design Group, Inc.
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BUYER:	
BTC Converge Buyer LLC	
By:	
Name:	
Title:	

ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT:

Blue Torch Finance	LLC,	solely	for pur	poses	of
Section 3.2, Section 10.	<u>.4</u> , and	l Sectio	ns 10.7	to <u>10.</u>	19

By:		
Name:		
Title:		

Exhibit 2

Assumed Contracts Exhibit

Debtor	Contract Counterparty	Date of Contract or Lease	Cure Amount
Converge Direct, LLC	25 West 39 th Street Realty LLC	4/19/2019	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	American Residential Services LLC	4/11/2023	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Automobile Club of Southern California	2/16/2016	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Automobile Club of Southern California	10/11/2022	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Amicus, LLC (d/b/a Broughton Partners)	2/28/2023	\$0.00
Lacuna Ventures, LLC and Converge Direct, LLC by assignment	Decibel LLC	9/16/2022	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Erie Construction Mid-West LLC	3/31/2023	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Groundworks Operations, LLC	12/16/2022	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	ICOHS College	5/1/2021	\$0.00

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Converge Direct, LLC	Leaf Home, LLC	3/31/2023	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Marasco & Nesselbush Law Offices L.L.P.	9/1/2023	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	New England Institute of Technology	11/1/2018	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Pointer Leads LLC	1/24/2024	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Renewal By Anderson Corporation	12/10/2014	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Renewal By Anderson LLC	12/10/2014	\$0.00

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Converge Direct, LLC	Southern New England Windows, LLC, on behalf of S&L Windows and Doors, LLC (NC), Southwest Windows and Doors, LLC (AZ), J&M Windows, Inc, LLC (PA), Window Warmth, LLC (CO), Central Texas Windows and Doors, LLC (SO TX), North Texas Windows and Doors, LLC (NO TX), Oklahoma Windows and Doors, LLC (OK)	11/15/2019	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Garden State Custom Windows, LLC on behalf of Garden State Custom Windows, LLC, Long Island Custom Windows, LLC, Jemico, LLC, Fairchester Windows LLC, Atlanta Custom Windows, LLC and Windows and its parent companies, subsidiaries, affiliates and related parties	11/5/2019	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Service Master Brands L.L.C. (Terminix)	2/10/2012	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Tort Experts, LLC	6/9/2023	\$0.00

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Converge Direct, LLC	TruGreen Limited Partnership	2/3/2023	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Converge Marketing Services, LLC	1/1/2023	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Jason Pharmaceuticals (Medifast)	1/1/2017	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Rotorooter Services Company	6/21/2022	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	SchoolsFirst Credit Union	2/19/2015	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Power Home Solar LLC	7/16/2021	\$0.00
Lacuna Ventures, LLC and Converge Direct, LLC by assignment	On Point Legal Leads LLC	4/27/2022	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Axiom Solutions, LLC	2/5/2021	\$0.00

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Converge Direct, LLC	Plateau Data Services, LLC	4/14/2022	\$0.00
Lacuna Ventures, LLC and Converge Direct, LLC by assignment	Case Direct LLC (d/b/a NIB Direct)	3/15/2021	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	YepAds B.V.	2/24/2023	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Digital Media Solutions, LLC	9/3/2020	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Awesome Offers Inc.	10/27/2022	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Ad Practicioners, LLC (also referred to as Consumers Advocate)	5/17/2022	\$0.00

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Converge Direct, LLC	Addicted Affiliate, LLC	11/8/2021	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	adMobo, Inc.	2/8/2021	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Let's Make a Lead LLC	1/19/2023	\$0.00
Lacuna Ventures, LLC and Converge Direct, LLC by assignment	Adtherum	12/18/2020	\$0.00
Lacuna Ventures, LLC and Converge Direct, LLC by assignment	ITS Limited	10/7/2021	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Avanto Media LLC	2/13/2023	\$0.00

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Converge Direct, LLC	Outside the Box Designs LLC (d/b/a Axad Capital)	6/2/2022	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Bennet & Sons Services LLC	9/27/2023	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Leadgen Network Organization, Inc. (d/b/a Billy.com)	2/6/2023	\$0.00
Lacuna Ventures, LLC and Converge Direct, LLC by assignment	B Two Direct, LLC	4/27/2021	\$0.00
Lacuna Ventures, LLC and Converge Direct, LLC by assignment	BW Ventures LLC (d/b/a Mint Global)	8/3/2022	\$0.00
Lacuna Ventures, LLC and Converge Direct, LLC by assignment	Call Trader LLC	1/14/2021	\$0.00

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Converge Direct, LLC	Clickso LLC	2/13/2023	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Common Acquire, LLC	9/7/2023	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Consumer Rating LLC	7/7/2022	\$0.00
Lacuna Ventures, LLC and Converge Direct, LLC by assignment	Diablo Media, LLC	4/20/2021	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Dobak Holdings LLC (d/b/a Blue Ink Digital)	7/5/2022	\$0.00
Lacuna Ventures, LLC and Converge Direct, LLC	DS Prospecting, LLC	7/21/2022	\$0.00

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Lacuna Ventures, LLC and Converge Direct, LLC by assignment	EMG Media Group Inc.	6/7/2022	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Flatiron Media, LLC	4/15/2022	\$0.00
Lacuna Ventures, LLC	Flatiron Media, LLC	3/4/2020	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Marketplace Operations Inc.	10/17/2023	\$0.00
Lacuna Ventures, LLC and Converge Direct, LLC by assignment	FRST Moment LLC	9/4/2022	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Fuzeclick	2/3/2023	\$0.00

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Lacuna Ventures, LLC and Converge Direct, LLC by assignment	h2h Interactive Inc.	4/6/2022	\$0.00
Lacuna Ventures, LLC and Converge Direct, LLC by assignment	Inbounds LLC	8/11/2021	\$0.00
Lacuna Ventures, LLC and Converge Direct, LLC by assignment	Nocturnal Enterprises, LLC (Lido Labs)	9/9/2021	\$0.00
Lacuna Ventures, LLC and Converge Direct, LLC by assignment	Madera Digital LLC	1/14/2021	\$0.00
Lacuna Ventures, LLC and Converge Direct, LLC by assignment	Mobipium Lda	5/24/2022	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Next Click Partners, LLC	6/21/2023	\$0.00

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Converge Direct, LLC	Perform [CB] LLC	7/5/2022	\$0.00
Lacuna Ventures LLC	Perform [CB] LLC	1/28/2021	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Pipes.Al LLC	8/4/2022	\$0.00
Lacuna Ventures, LLC and Converge Direct, LLC by assignment	PureAds, LLC	4/13/2022	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Pushnami, LLC	9/22/2022	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Revcontent LLC	3/3/2023	\$0.00

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Converge Direct, LLC	SBG Media Enterprise LLC	2/25/2023	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Search Vision Media Ltd	2/16/2023	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Home Media, LLC (d/b/a Three Ships)	7/2/2021	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	THS Group, LLC	11/9/2022	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	TrueBrand Media LLC	9/28/2023	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Version Two Media Ltd.	10/3/2022	\$0.00

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Converge Direct, LLC	Vellko Media	3/7/2023	\$0.00
Lacuna Ventures, LLC and Converge Direct, LLC by assignment	White Start Media, Inc.	5/20/2022	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	The Wisdom Companies LLC	8/8/2022	\$0.00
Lacuna Ventures, LLC and Converge Direct, LLC by assignment	Zeta Global Corp	5/20/2022	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	ADSWAPPER INC	4/19/2023	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	237Next, LLC	8/16/2022	\$0.00

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Lacuna Ventures, LLC and Converge Direct, LLC by assignment	Accera Digital, LLC	1/6/2021	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	GDMgroup Asia Limited d/b/a HomeQuote	2/18/2022	\$0.00
Lacuna Ventures, LLC and Converge Direct, LLC by assignment	The Affiliati Network, Inc.	1/6/2021	\$0.00
Lacuna Ventures, LLC and Converge Direct, LLC by assignment	C3 Data LLC	5/7/2021	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	CID Consulting (d/b/a Cx3 Ads)	10/27/2023	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Gannett Media Corp.	1/1/2022	\$0.00

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Converge Direct, LLC	Llama Call Solutions, LLC	7/29/2022	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	S44, LLC (d/b/a SHIFT44)	3/3/2022	\$0.00
Lacuna Ventures, LLC and Converge Direct, LLC by assignment	Sharecare, Inc.	4/8/2021	\$0.00
Lacuna Ventures, LLC and Converge Direct, LLC by assignment	WinLocal	9/9/2021	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	EGB Media LLC	2/24/2023	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Amicus, LLC (d/b/a Broughton Partners)	3/1/2023	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Aflac	2014	\$0.00
Lacuna Ventures, LLC and Converge Direct, LLC by assignment	Admediary, LLC	4/10/2022	\$0.00

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Converge Direct, LLC	AffiMedia B.V.	9/12/2023	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Birddog Media	2/2/2021	\$0.00
Lacuna Ventures, LLC and Converge Direct, LLC by assignment	BrightReach Media Inc.	9/7/2021	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Britebox LLC	6/14/2022	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Click Thesis, LLC	11/5/2022	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	CR Marketing ApS	10/3/2022	\$0.00

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Converge Direct, LLC	DigiPeak, LLC	2/27/2023	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Direct Agents, Inc.	3/1/2023	\$0.00
Lacuna Ventures, LLC and Converge Direct, LLC by assignment	Fluent, LLC	1/26/2021	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Leif Agency Ltd	4/24/2023	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	LOUDINGADS SL	1/31/2023	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Madrivo Media, LLC	5/13/2021	\$0.00

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Lacuna Ventures, LLC and Converge Direct, LLC by assignment	MJ Ventures LLC (d/b/a Malbis)	6/2/2021	\$0.00
Lacuna Ventures, LLC and Converge Direct, LLC by assignment	MoneyMailerUSA, Inc.	6/14/2022	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Point2Web LLC	7/13/2023	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Prime Publishing, LLC	1/31/2023	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Print Management Group, Inc.	7/26/2023	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Remodelwell, Inc.	10/20/2022	\$0.00

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Lacuna Ventures, LLC and Converge Direct, LLC by assignment	Secco Squared LLC	9/21/2022	\$0.00
Lacuna Ventures, LLC and Converge Direct, LLC by assignment	Small Falls Media LLC	5/19/2022	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Target + Response Inc.	6/5/2023	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Typhon Interactive	12/30/2022	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	What If Holdings, LLC	3/8/2022	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Bright Horizons Group LLC	12/21/2023	\$0.00

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Converge Direct, LLC	iDrive Interactive, LLC	1/9/2024	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Dature Partners LLC	12/20/2023	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Integrated Data Solutions Group BV	1/9/2024	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Up On The Roof Technologies Inc. (d/b/a Instant Roofer)	11/28/2023	\$0.00
Converge Direct, LLC	Erie Construction Mid-West LLC	1/1/2024	\$0.00